The Weather
Today—Increasing cloudiness and not too cold in the afternoon, followed by sleet or snow. Yesterday—High, 25; low, 17.

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Christmas Tree Fire Kills District Girl, 15

Spellman Made Cardinal, With 3 Other Americans

Archbishops Stritch, Glennon and Mooney Also Are Elevated; College Raised to 70

Vatican City, Dec. 23 (AP).—Pope Pius XII today created 32 new cardinals, 4 of them from the United States and 7 others from the Western Hemisphere.

The four new United States members, the Vatican announced, will be Archbishop Francis J. Spellman of New York, Archbishop John Glennon of St. Louis, Archbishop Alphonsus Stritch of Chicago and Archbishop Edward Mooney of Detroit.

Thus for the first time the United States will have five cardinals. Previously it never had more than four.

The Vatican also announced the summoning of a consistory February 18.

28 Italians in College

The Pontiff, who spread his appointments all over the world, raised the number of members in the College of Cardinals to the full limit of 70—something which was unprecedented.

Only four of the new cardinals are Italians. As a result, the new college will have only 28 Italians and 42 non-Italians, the highest number of non-Italians in the history of the Roman Catholic Church.

Archbishop Spellman, whose appointment had long been forecast, has been reported a likely choice for Secretary of State at the Vatican, one of the highest positions in the church.

The four Americans named today, with Dennis Cardinal Dougherty of Philadelphia, the only living present American cardinal, will make up the list of five United States members of the college.

Latin America Has Six

Most striking feature of the Pontiff's appointments was the further internationalizing of the church's leadership. Latin America, which has at present only one cardinal, will have six in the new college. Canada, which has had only one cardinal for French-speaking Quebec, now will be represented by an additional cardinal from English-speaking Ontario.

Asia is represented for the first time, with the appointment of a native Chinese cardinal.

The Pontiff recognized the Middle East and the Armenian rite church with an appointment, for the first time in centuries, of a cardinal from Turkish Armenia.

3 Anti-Nazis Elevated

At least three of the appointments—two in Germany and one in France—were of ardent anti-Nazis. One of the Germans, the Most Rev. Clement A. von Galen, bishop of Muenster, once was reported marked for "liquidation" by the Nazis.

Three German cardinals in all were named, an indication the church may intensify its work in that ravaged land.

Also for the first time, the southern part of the African continent was extended recognition, with the appointment of a cardinal from Mozambique, Portuguese East

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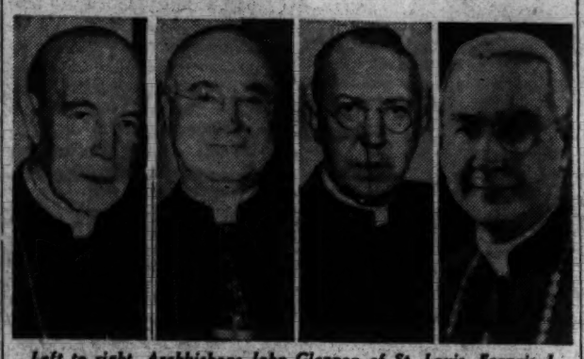
New Cardinals



Left to right, Archbishops John Glennon of St. Louis, Francis J. Spellman of New York, Edward Mooney of Detroit and Samuel Alphonsus Stritch of Chicago.

Holiday Spirit Nears Zenith In Washington

Prediction of Snow Fails to Halt Plans For Christmas Eve

By Jean Reiff
Post Staff Writer

A partially deserted but wholly joyous Washington was ready today for a last-minute rush on stores and the gaiety of holiday parties marking the first peaceful Christmas Eve in five years.

Not even the weather forecaster's promise of snow and sleet tonight can dispell the gladness and holiday air prevailing over the city.

Mercury to Stay Down

A below-freezing temperature of 25 degrees will accompany the snow, he said. There'll be increasing cloudiness during the day, with the temperature expected to rise from a low of 15 degrees in the morning to a high of 30 by afternoon.

Yesterday's low of 11 was reached at 7 a. m., and rose only to 26 at 3:30 p. m. The sun thawed some of the ice and snow during the early afternoon, but the spots untouched by its rays remained frozen.

Downtown streets were empty yesterday. Not even a bright, warm sun could bring out those who have remained in the city for the holidays.

But every one knew his neighbor wasn't sitting at hmoe in the somber wartime mood of last Christmas. Every one knew the other fellow was just catching his breath for the excitement of the night before Christmas.

Stores Open Today

All downtown department stores will be open until the usual closing hour, and they still have plenty of merchandise on the shelves. Not the select gifts which could be purchased last week, but suitable for last-minute remembrances.

Florists, too, will be open, and are well-stocked with bright red poinsettias and clean-smelling greens for wreaths and sprays to decorate open door and warmly lighted window.

Fat turkeys and chickens, oysters for stuffing, and fruits and nuts are waiting at the corner grocery.

Truman to Light Tree

Leading the way in the age-old tradition of lighting the Christmas tree will be the Nation's President, Harry Truman. At 5 p. m. he will turn on the lights decorating a living tree on the White House grounds.

The yuletide program, the first since 1941, will open at 4:30 p. m. with a concert by the Marine Band.

The public, admitted by the

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Travel Rush Normal Again After 2 Days

History's Worst Jam Broken as Throngs Finally Get Away

By John W. Ball
Post Staff Writer

After two days of the worst travel jam Washington ever has experienced, train, airline and bus terminals got down to a normal Christmas rush schedule yesterday.

The depots were all busy, but the crushing mobs of Friday and Saturday had given way to queues of travelers, all of whom, if patient enough, were able to get on a train headed in the direction they wished.

The situation last night was this:

UNION STATION: Although some delays were taking place, few passengers were forced to wait more than 4 or 5 hours for a train. Trains from the West were still slightly late, but nearing normal schedules all the time.

NATIONAL AIRPORT: About 200 "Go-Shows" waiting to pick up tickets canceled at the last minute, and most of them being taken care of during the day. The last of the long-waiters—several waited 2 days to get seats—was cleared out of the airport early Sunday.

BUS TERMINALS: National Trailways reported every possible bit of equipment obtainable still running loaded, but able to take care of all customers. In order to meet the demand for tickets, nine sightseeing bus lines operating in Washington loaned their equipment to Trailways, adding more than 60 buses to the service. Passengers were permitted to stand on buses, up to one-third standees for the regular load, and many took advantage of the rule. Buses leaving for New York, Pittsburgh and Reading, Pa., at times were carrying a capacity of standees.

Strike Cuts Service

An unexpected strike on the Blue Ridge Lines Saturday morning added to the difficulties of the bus lines. The strike was called at

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Christmas Eve Radio Features

Dickens' "Christmas Carol" is dramatized. WTOP—10:45 a. m.

Christmas in Germany with the occupation troops. WOL—1:30 p. m.

Pasadena Boy Choir sings carols. WMAL—2:30 p. m.

President Truman lights the White House tree and gives Christmas message. All stations 5 p. m.

Vox Pop visits soldiers at Walter Reed Hospital. WTOP—8 p. m.

A Ben Hecht play for the holiday season. WMAL—8:30 p. m.

Helen Traubel sings Christmas music. WRC—9 p. m.

Birmingham General Hospital patients broadcast. WMAL—10:30 p. m.

Caroling at St. Patrick's Cathedral in New York. WWDC—11:30 p. m.

"Cricket on the Hearth" is dramatized. WRC—11:30 p. m.

"The First Christmas" and the "Little Match Girl" are read by Frank Luther on a program of Christmas music. WINX—11:30 p. m.

"Silent Night" is sung by Helen Traubel. WRC—11:57 p. m.

Midnight mass is broadcast from the Franciscan Monastery over WMAL and from St. Patrick's Cathedral in New York over WOL.

Carols. WTOP—12 midnight.

"The Nativity" is dramatized. WWDC—3 a. m.

12 U. S. Soldiers In Japan Perish As Barracks Burn

Sixth Army Headquarters, Kyoto, Japan, Dec. 23 (AP).—Furiously spreading flames trapped and killed 12 American officers and men in a medical battalion barracks on Shikoku today, leveling the two-story frame building in 10 minutes.

Twenty-two of the scores of injured were hospitalized.

The victims, whose bodies were found huddled near the stairway and around windows from which they fought unsuccessfully to escape, were members of the Twenty-fourth Medical Battalion of the Twenty-fourth Division. Shikoku is the southernmost of the Japanese home islands.

The origin of the fire, which broke out at 6 a. m., was not determined, but an investigation was started at once. The names of the casualties were not immediately announced.

USES Rider Causes Veto Of Cutbacks

Truman Rejects Bill Because of Provision Turning Employment Service Back to States

(Text on Page 2.)

By Felix Cotten
International News Service Staff Writer

President Truman struck back at a recalcitrant Congress yesterday by announcing that he would pocket veto the "recission" bill returning United States employment offices to State control within 100 days.

The Chief Executive's action killed the bill, which also cuts back war appropriations and authorizations 52 billion dollars.

In a 1500-word verbal spanking, Mr. Truman declared that the legislative body, which has gone home for a three-week holiday vacation, had selected the "most disadvantageous" time that could have been chosen to return the employment offices to State control.

Assails Practice of Riders

He said that to scatter the employment system among 51 States and territories at the time selected "would immeasurably retard our reemployment program."

He also assailed the practice of attaching riders to appropriation bills. The rescission bill is an appropriation measure.

The President declared that "to attach a legislative rider to an appropriation bill restricts the President's exercise of his functions and is contrary to good government." He continued:

"Partly in order to prevent this practice, it has long been considered a fundamental principle that legislation on a major issue of policy ought not to be combined with an appropriation measure.

Cutbacks Go Into Reserve

"I am obliged to withhold my approval to some very excellent legislation because of the objectionable practice which has been followed by attaching this rider which I cannot possibly approve."

Mr. Truman commended Congress for the war appropriation cutbacks and said he had instructed the budget director to carry out this part of the bill. He explained that the cutbacks would be placed in a reserve.

The pocket-veto is expected to bring an open clash between the Chief Executive and the Legislative body when it reconvenes for the next session January 14.

Chairman Cannon (D., Mo.), of the House Appropriations Committee said the reciscion bill would be reintroduced when Congress reconvenes.

Cannon Agrees With Truman

He predicted that the House would again attach the rider providing for immediate return of the employment offices to the States.

Cannon said that "in view of the overwhelming support in the House for this action, I believe it will not be content until there has been a showdown on the question of overriding the President's veto."

At the same time, he said he thought the President was "entirely right" in objecting to at-

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'Tippy' Consoles His Master

Post Staff Photo—Danor

LITTLE FIRE VICTIM—"Tippy" looks consolingly at his master, Bruce Leopard, 5, who is recovering from burns suffered in fire at home of his parents, 114 E st. nw.

Demands Made Upon Turkey By Armenians

Request for Certain Frontier Districts Reported by Tass

Moscow, Dec. 23 (AP).—The official Communist newspaper Pravda published a Tass dispatch from Egypt today reporting that a group of Armenians in Alexandria were seeking to have Turkey give certain frontier districts to Soviet Armenia.

The dispatch said that the group, known as the Armenian National Council, offered a nine-point program based on the contention that Turkey had forcibly split up Armenia after World War I.

Soviet newspapers published Thursday demands that Turkey cede a strategic 180-mile stretch of her Black Sea coast to Russia. The demands were made in a letter from two intellectuals of the Georgian Soviet Socialist Republic.

Sees Empire's Vitals Periled

London, Dec. 23 (U.P.).—The diplomatic correspondent of the London Sunday Observer said that Russia's renewed interest in the Middle East threatened the vitals of the British empire."

The correspondent said American optimism and British reserve at the Moscow Big Three conference was based on Russia's de-emphasized policy in the Far East and "forward policy" in the Middle East. Britain, he stated, will not become a party to a Middle Eastern Munich.

"The conference should not be regarded as the successor in a narrower circle to the abortive talks by the Big Five foreign ministers

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White Crosses, Row on Row

Patton's Body Being Borne To Hamm After Simple Rites

German Prisoners Dig Grave No. 7934 For Famous General

No Eulogies Offered; To Be Buried Today In American Cemetery

Hamm, Luxembourg, Dec. 23 (U.P.).—Seventy German prisoners of war, the field gray of their Wehrmacht uniforms mottled with red clay mud, dug grave No. 7934 in the United States military cemetery here today.

A cold, drizzling rain swept across the gently rolling hillside.

In a warm workshop, in the neat little group of buildings in the woods near the gate, a saw screeched its requiem and a hammer beat a tattoo a a GI carpenter fashioned another 30 by 15 inch white wood cross.

Name is Stencilled

On his workbench was a dogtag size steel stencil to be fixed to the cross. It said simply, "George S. Patton, jr."

There was only a serial number to identify further the warrior's grave.

Patton will be buried at 10 tomorrow morning here in the rugged Ardennes hills, which he called the worst tank country he ever saw.

They'll lay him among men named Przywarra, Dextern, Williams, Moore, McFarlane, Stamatio, Kee, Garcia and Weisenmiller.

Patton's place will be grave 222, row 9, plot EE.

In grave 221 to the right is the body of Pvt. John Przywarra, who lived in Detroit. He died on this ground a year ago, at Ecternach in the first days of Patton's counter-offensive.

2 Unknown Soldiers

There is room for two more graves to the left of Patton's in row 9. In the same row there are two unknown soldiers. All were privates in the row with the exception of one corporal and one sergeant.

The site of his grave was picked by First Lieut. Warren Flournoy of Likely, Calif., commander of the Graves Registration Unit in this cemetery.

"There may be just one flaw in tomorrow's ceremony," Flournoy said.

"Unless the weather improves, it will be difficult for the guard of honor to keep its boots as polished as the old man would have liked."

Heidelberg, Dec. 23 (AP).—Funeral services for Gen. George S. Patton, jr., were performed with striking military simplicity today, and then the body of the colorful commanding warrior was borne away to be buried among the 10,000 white crosses of the American cemetery in Luxembourg.

Two Army chaplains conducted a 22-minute Episcopal service marked by the singing of one of the general's favorite hymns, "The Son of God Goes Forth to War," and recital of two of his best-liked Psalms, the 90th and the 63d.

There were no eulogies.

Mrs. Patton, grieving but erect, and her brother, Frederick L. Ayer of Boston, Mass., were the only members of the family who attended the services, held in the sixteenth century Christ Church, in the heart of this picturesque German university town.

Route Lined by 6000

At the conclusion, Patton's body was carried on a half track to the railroad station along a mile-long route lined by more than 6000 American soldiers and German civilians, who had stood shoulder to shoulder for hours awaiting the procession.

Many of the Germans were stony-faced, but the GIs were clearly grieved.

After a 19-gun salute the flag-draped casket was placed aboard one of two special funeral trains which rolled away in the winter dusk for Luxembourg. Tomorrow Patton will be buried in the American Military Cemetery at Hamm near Luxembourg, where many of the men Patton commanded in the Battle of the Bulge a year ago have found a final resting place.

600 Soldiers Present

Approximately 600 soldiers, including virtually all the top ranking American officers in Europe, and representatives of a dozen countries, crowded into the church for the service.

Mrs. Patton and her brother sat in a front pew with Lieut. Gen. Geoffrey Keyes, commander of the Seventh Army.

Across from them on the other side of the church sat the pallbearers—six enlisted men selected

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The Post Poll Shows

2 of Every 3 District Residents Believe Elected Officials Could Cure Jail Ills

Two out of three Washingtonians believe that the District Jail's ills could be cured if residents of the District were permitted to elect their own officials.

This was revealed yesterday with results of a Post Poll spot survey of residents' attitudes toward the two recent escapes in which three dangerous criminals are still at large. Fourteen persons, including seven escapees, have been indicted by the D. C. grand jury in connection with the breaks.

Poll interviewers asked this question:

"In your opinion, do you think the District Jail would be run better or worse if the people who live in the District could elect their own city officials?"

Sixty-six per cent answered "better." In contrast, 10 per cent believed conditions would grow worse if the jail were operated by officials elected by District citizens. Twenty-four per cent said they just did not know.

"Who is most to blame for conditions at the District Jail?" Poll interviewers asked.

Just 28 per cent blamed Howard B. Gill, suspended superintendent of penal institutions. A slightly smaller proportion—27 per cent—blamed the District Commissioners who are responsible for obtaining appropriations from Congress.

Twenty-eight per cent of those interviewed recalled earlier reports on inadequate conditions at the jail.

In answer to the question, "In your opinion, who is most to blame for conditions at the District Jail, this was the box score:

Howard B. Gill, penal institutions superintendent	28%
The District Commissioners	27%
Congress	17%
Board of Public Welfare	13%
Welfare Director Ray L. Huff	4%
Don't know	32%
Other	2%

(This table adds up to more than 100 per cent because some persons blamed more than one person, or group.)

The jail breaks in which five felons hacksawed their way to freedom November 24 and two Negro juveniles cut through a prison bar with a table knife have aroused the populace, according to opinion on how seriously the breaks are regarded.

See interviews with District residents on Page 5.

Seventy-nine per cent believe the breaks constitute a "serious threat to the safety of the people who live in the District."

Persons living in the vicinity of the jail at 19th and B sts. se. consistently expressed the opinion they "don't feel safe walking the streets at night."

A more light-hearted group—15 per cent—finds the situation which has revealed the jail as almost an arsenal of hacksaw blades and escape implements hidden by prisoners "amusing and not too serious."

The remaining 6 per cent believe it "fairly serious or may be serious."

When asked, "What do you think are the chief causes for the bad situation at the jail?" an equal percentage of those who said they read newspaper reports on the jail situation carefully—36 per cent—blamed inefficiency in jail administration and outdated equipment and buildings.

In every case, however, Washingtonians were quick to insist the jail could be operated better if they could elect their own officials.

Table of opinion on the question, "What do you think are the chief causes for the bad situation at the jail?" follows:

	Per cent
Carelessness, inefficiency in jail administration	40
Poor equipment, outdated buildings	13
Graft, politics	20
Understaffing	13
General administration of jail	11
No vote in District, disinterest, politics in Congress	8
Lack of appropriations	2
Don't know	19

(This table adds up to more than 100 per cent because some persons made more than one suggestion.)

Meeting Lasted 4½ Hours

French Cabinet Devaluates Franc, Keeps New Rate Secret

Paris, Dec. 23 (AP).—The French cabinet voted today to devaluate the franc, several ministers reported at the conclusion of a meeting that lasted 4½ hours.

The cabinet members said they were sworn to secrecy as to the exact new rate of exchange.

Previously it had been predicted that the franc would probably be pegged at 125 to the dollar and 500 to the pound sterling. The present rate is 50 to the dollar and 200 to the pound.

Earlier today the finance committee of the Constituent Assembly voted to recommend ratification of the Bretton Woods monetary agreement. This action was regarded as clearing the way for the move to devaluate the franc.

If ratified by the assembly this would bind France not to change the value of the franc unilaterally by more than 10 per cent for a period of five years after December 31.

Finance Minister Rene Pleven said that while the quota of 4.8 per cent granted France in the international monetary fund did not measure up to her "normal position in world trade," adherence to the agreement would give France the possibility of acquiring foreign currency without expenditure of gold bullion.

Proponents of devaluation have asserted that devaluation will tend to revive France's foreign trade, which is largely dormant.

5 Are Burned Seriously As Flames Sweep Home

Light Plug Spark Ignites Cotton; 5 of 8 Persons in House Jump to Ground

A 15-year-old girl was dead and five others were burned seriously yesterday after tragedy, in the form of fire from an ignited Christmas tree, swept through the home of a widowed mother of eight children.

The fire, started when a spark from a light plug ignited cotton batting, quickly swept through the two-story brick home of Mrs. Annie Bell Holstein at 114 E. st. nw.

Five of eight persons in the house jumped from a second-floor window to safety as the structure turned into a roaring inferno.

The dead girl was Naomi Norwood, 15, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Norwood of 1304 Belmont st. nw.

Falls into Flames

She died in Casualty Hospital of burns received when she fell in flames at the base of the steps as she ran to the first floor in an attempt to help save the younger children.

Miss Norwood, a friend of Mrs. Holstein's 14-year-old daughter, Barbara, was spending the night at the Holstein home.

The fire was started, police said, when 6-year-old Harold (Buddy) Holstein got up before the rest of the family, went downstairs and plugged the tree lights into a socket.

Warns Sleeping Family

Sparks shot out, igniting the bat-fluffing around the base of the 7-foot-tall tree which the family had been decorating for the past two days. As flames started, Buddy ran up the stairs, screaming to the sleeping family:

"The cotton is burning under the Christmas tree!"

By the time every one was fully awakened, the fire had swept the first floor, cutting off all exit.

Those Injured

The injured at Emergency Hospital are:

Mrs. Holstein, 43, first- and second-degree burns; condition serious.

Mrs. Virginia Leopard, 23, daughter of Mrs. Holstin; first- and secon-degree burns; condition critical.

At Casualty Hospital:

Annie Laurie Holstein, 17, first, second and third-degree burns; condition critical.

Harold Holstein, 6, first- and second-degree burns; condition serious.

Mrs. Leopard's son, Bruce, 5, was treated at Casualty for first-degree burns and released.

"We were all asleep on the second floor when Buddy came flying up the stairs screaming," Mrs. Leopard said through her bandages at Emergency.

"I ran downstairs and called the fire department. I ran back upstairs but the heat was so intense I couldn't get down again. I woke

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Iran Garrison Defense Aided By Kurd Tribes

Tehran, Dec. 23 (AP).—An Iranian general staff officer said today that Kurdish tribesmen had joined the defense of the Iranian army's Rezaich garrison and that the reinforced post was holding out against its besiegers, whom he described as "Assyrians, Caucasians and Democrats."

Meanwhile, Russian Embassy and consular officials still withheld permits for foreign newsmen and American State Department officials to visit northern Iran, explaining that applicants had not been approved by military commandants.

The new government of Azerbaijan in northern Iran has claimed autonomy within the Iranian state, and an Iranian army officer said yesterday that "armed civilian and an unusual concentration of Russian tanks and troops at Garmsar," 75 miles southeast of Tehran, had been reported.

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Truman's Message on Vetoing Bill to Return USES to States

Text of President's message vetoing bill transferring U. S. employment service to States follows:

I AM withholding my approval of H. R. 4407, "reducing certain appropriations and contract authorizations available for the fiscal year 1946, and for other purposes."

It is with sincere regret that I am unable to approve this legislation. In response to my communication of September 5, 1945, and in conformity with their own careful plans, the appropriations committees of the House and of the Senate held extended hearings and gave mature consideration to the readjustment of executive programs and finances to the problems of the reconversion period. The Congress has acted expeditiously and considerately to develop the basis for the continuing peacetime operations of the Government. It has demonstrated a fine spirit of economy in reducing appropriations without complicating the delicate adjustment from wartime to peacetime functions and without sacrificing the basic progress which has been made during the war years in the long-term development of Government activity.

So far as the basic purpose of this bill rescinding appropriations is concerned, I am in thorough agreement with the action of the Congress. Far from wishing to sacrifice the care and effort which have gone into its development, I shall by executive action, preserve the full values of these rescission provisions in the exact terms which the Congress itself has approved. If these provisions stood alone I should gladly approve the bill. I have asked the director of the bureau of the budget to place these rescission amounts in a reserve, nonexpendable status, and so to advise the departments and agencies concerned.

IN ADDITION to its effect on appropriations, however, the bill contains provisions which require our system of public employment offices—now unified in a single national system—to be broken up within 100 days, and transferred to operation as 51 separate State and territorial systems.

While I believe such a transfer should be made at the proper time, I am convinced that this bill requires that it be made at the wrong time, and in the wrong way. Such a dispersion and transfer at this time would immeasurably retard our reemployment program. And as the basis for Federal-State cooperation, in a fundamental program of national importance, the provisions of the bill dealing with the public employment offices are unsound and unwise from any point of view.

So far as the timing of the transfer is concerned, the period designated by this bill—the next 100 days—is the most disadvantageous that could have been chosen. It will result in a disrupted and inefficient employment service at the very time when efficient operation is most vitally needed by veterans, workers, and employers.

Our local public employment offices are now and will be during the next several months, in the midst of the peak work load in their history. This is because the offices are now engaged in counseling and placing millions of applicants who require individualized service. These applicants include able-bodied veterans seeking assistance in their readjustment to civilian life, handicapped veterans requiring even more time and guidance in finding the jobs most suitable for them, and unemployed warworkers who are confronted by difficult readjustments because of substantial reductions in job opportunities at their wartime skills and wage rates.

At such a time, any change in management and direction is necessarily disruptive to the service. A change which would replace our present single and unified management by 51 separate managements would be very harmful. Even with every effort by the States to promote a smooth transition, the transfer of some 23,000 employes to new conditions of employment, and the adjustment of operations to the requirements of 51 different State agencies, will inevitably cause confusion and delay.

IN my reconversion message of September 6 to the Congress, I pointed out our national responsibilities and problems in connection with reemployment during the reconversion period. During this period, displaced warworkers, and the veterans who are returning to civilian life at the rate of more than a million a month, will need and have a right to expect from their national Government an effective job-counseling and placement service. These problems and responsibilities cannot, in a period when millions of veterans and other workers are moving across State lines, be met adequately through 51 separate and independent public employment service systems, linked only by the necessarily remote and indirect influence of a Federal agency financing the State systems through grants-in-aid.

For these reasons, I now repeat my recommendation that the transfer of our public employment offices to State operation be postponed until June, 1947. The Administration is committed to returning the service to State operation, and that commitment will be carried through But this is not the time.

Apart from the timing of the transfer, the provisions of H. R. 4407 which govern the basis for Federal-State cooperation in the maintenance of public employment offices do not assure that an adequate service will be available in all States.

The bill provides for the operation of public employment offices by the States under rules and regulations prescribed by the Secretary of Labor to carry out the provisions of the Wagner-Peyser Act. Operating costs would be met entirely by the Federal Government. These provisions of the bill would remain in effect for only a few months—the balance of the current fiscal year.

The bill precludes the granting of funds to any State which is unable, or unwilling, to comply with the provisions of the bill or any requirement of the Secretary of Labor pursuant to the provisions of the bill.

A Federal-State cooperative program for a national system of public employment offices financed entirely by Federal funds must at least provide assurance as to two basic objectives: the Federal Government must be sure that the essential services are being provided through the States' employment offices, and it must know that the offices are being operated with reasonable efficiency. Under such a program, the Federal Government is not interested in prescribing minute or insignificant details concerning the State operation, but it does have a stake in the preservation of reasonable standards.

H. R. 4407 provides no effective protection for this national interest. If any State, for any reason, cannot or does not meet the minimum requirements, Federal grants cannot be made. But at the same time the Federal Government itself is precluded from continuing the operation of public employment office facilities in the State.

This means, in effect, that when there is a substantial failure to provide essential services or to meet minimum standards of efficiency, the Federal Government must choose between two alternativs which are both unsatisfactory. It must either acquiesce in the substandard operation—or by withholding funds, it must deprive all of the State's employers, workers, and veterans of a service they need an dto which they are nttitld.

At the time of such acute emergency—when employment offices are needed to provide veterans with the services with which the congress has required they be provided, and needed also to assist other unemployed workers in securing peacetime jobs—I cannot approve legislation which, under some conditions, may offer only a choice between a substantially substandard service or no service at all.

It seems clear to me that a matter of such grave importance as our public employment system deserves not only permanent legislation, but legislation carefully and separately considered. Issues of such a difficult and vital nature should not be dealt with as riders to appropriation bills.

The fact is that our present legislation governing the operation of our cooperative Federal-State employment service system, enacted in 1933, needs thorough revision in the light of changed conditions. Several bills now pending before both House of the Congress—H. R. 4437, S. 1456, and S. 1510—are designed to accomplish this. Enactment of such permanent legislation is essential before a transfer back to State operation can be achieved in an efficient and orderly manner.

ADEQUATE and uniform standards of service must be maintained and proper security for the personnel of the organization itself must be provided in a permanent way, if it is to keep and attract the caliber of personnel able and eager to perform its important tasks.

Only in this way can we provide a sound and permanent basis for Federal-State cooperation in the maintenance of a postwar system of public employment offices which will meet the needs of veterans, employers, workers, and the Nation as a whole.

While I object to the specific measure which this bill proposes to carry out with respect to our employment service, I object even more strongly to the legislative method employed for its enactment. To attach a legislative rider to an appropriation bill restricts the President's exercise of his functions and is contrary to good government.

In view of my past legislative experience, I realize the obligations of the President to the Congress as a coordinate branch of the government. At the same time, I must be equally aware of the constitutional responsibility of the President to the people, and of the obligation of the Congress to help him discharge that responsibility.

The Constitution has placed upon the President the duty of considering bills for approval or disapproval. It has always been possible for the Congress to hamper the President's exercise of this duty by combining so many subjects into a single bill that he cannot disaprove an objectionable item without holding up necessary legislation.

Partly in order to prevent this practice, it has long been considered a fundamental principle that legislation on a major issue of policy ought not be combined with an appropriation measure. The present bill directly violates that principle. I am obliged to withhold my approval to some very excellent legislation because of the objectionable practice which has been followed by attaching this rider which I cannot possibly approve.

Patton's Body Lies in State

Signal Corps Radio Photo

MILITARY POLICE stand guard at the casket of Gen. George S. Patton, jr., as the body of the general lies in state at the guest house of Lieut. Gen. Goeffrey Keyes in Heidelberg, Grmany

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for their soldierly qualities. One was Master Sergeant William L. Meeks, Negro—from Junction City, Kas., who as Patton's orderly for eight years was with him in all his campaigns.

Two Army chaplains — Col. Edwin R. Carter, Richmond, Va., and Col. Loren T. Jenks of Michigan (city not given)—officiated at the services.

and 16 armored cars from Patton's

Before the service the general's body, preceded by an Army band old Fifteenth Cavalry, was borne through the streets from the hilltop villa where it had rested in state.

Dozens of generals, including Joseph T. McNarney, commanding general of U. S. forces in Europe, and officers representing several foreign governments, were in the procession.

Royal Family to Attend

Col. Frank Fraser of Phoenix, Ariz., chief of the American Army Mission to Belgium, said Patton's grave in Luxembourg will be tended by that little duchy's royal family.

Fraser said every American buried in the hillside cemetery at Hamm marked by 10,000 white crosses, has been adopted by someone in Luxembourg, who is charged with care of the grave.

Soldiers of Belgium, France, Luxembourg and the United States will line both sides of the road during the three and a half mile funeral procession from Luxembourg station to the cemetery.

Fraser said that Lt. Gen. Walton H. Walker, former 20th Corps commander under Patton, will arrive in Paris early tomorrow and fly directly here as a representative of Chief of Staff General Eisenhower and the Secretary of War. His announcement discounted reports that Eisenhower was flying from Washington to attend the burial rites.

Marshall Pays Tribute

Chungking, Dec. 23 (AP).—Gen. George C. Marshall, five-star wartime Chief of Staff, said in a statement today that news of the death of Gen. George S. Patton, jr., was a great shock.

"He was one of the greatest military leaders in our history," Marshall said.

Text of his statement:

"The news of the death of General Patton comes as a great shock to me. I had been told his condition had shown much improvement. We have been friends for many years. Since his action in the Meuse-Argonne battle in 1918, I recognized him as a determined and utterly fearless battle leader. This was one of the reasons I selected him to lead our troops in landing at Casablanca in November, 1942.

"In the fighting in Africa and in Sicily, he was conspicuous for the driving energy and tactical skill with which he led his troops.

"break-through of the Third Army in Normandy and its dramatic liberation of central France was indicative of the man who led it.

"But it was his counterattack toward Bastogne and the tremendous thrust to the Rhine at Coblenz and into the center and rear of the German armies in the Saar basin, followed by the sudden crossing of the Rhine, that established General Patton as one of the greatest military leaders in our history."

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Africa. Spain was given three new cardinals.

Another striking feature of the pontiff's appointments was the comparative youth of some of the new members. The youngest is the most Rev. Msgr. Bernard Griffin, Archbishop of Westminister, England, who is only 46 years old. The most Rev. Msgr. Norman Gilroy, Archbishop of Sydney, Australia, is only 49.

Glennon, 83, Is Oldest

Archbishop Glennon, 83, however, is the oldest of the new princes of the church.

The consistory February 18 will be a gathering of the cardinals for the purpose of being informed officially that 32 new members have been added to their number. No approval of the Pope's appointments is sought or is necessary.

Archbishop Mooney Long has been well known at the Vatican for his work as a spiritual director of the American college and as apostolic delegate in Japan.

Detroit and St. Louis won representation in the college for the first time. St. Louis is the farthest west the church yet has reached in selection of a United States cardinal. New York, Chicago, Boston and Baltimore have been represented previously.

Spellman Is 56

Archbishop Spellman, onetime grocer boy and champion horseshoe pitcher of Whitman, Mass., who grew up to be spiritual leader of the wealthiest Catholic See in the world and Catholic military vicar of the U. S. armed forces, expressed "gratitude to the holy father" in New York when advised of his elevation to the Sacred College of Cardinals.

He is 56 years old. Not until after graduating from Fordham University, did he decide he wanted to enter the priesthood. The late William Cardinal O'Connell of Boston took an interest in him and sent him to North American College in Rome to study for the priesthood, and he was ordained there in 1916, at the age of 27.

After two years as a curate at Roxbury, Mass., he went to Boston.

From 1925 to 1932 he was a member of the Papal secretariat of state at the Vatican, the first American to hold such an intimate post in the church government. It was then that he became a close friend of the present Pope Pius XII, who during those years was Cardinal Pacelli, Secretary of State. He became head of the New York archdiocese, after the death of Patrick Cardinal Hayes.

Knew Pope in Youth

Archbishop Stritch, son of a Nashville, Tenn., manufacturer who came to America from county Kerry, Ireland, whose brilliant record carried him to the head of the Chicago archdiocese, expressed great pleasure "the Holy Father has so signally honored the archdiocese of Chicago."

"May God help me be a worthy pastor of so great a flock," he said.

Archbishop Stritch acquired his degrees of doctor of philosophy and doctor of sacred theology in Rome, where he met a young priest, Eugene Pacelli, who was detsined to become Pope Pius VII. They became good friends.

Ordained in Rome in 1910, he returned to America as one of the church's youngest and most brilliant priests In 1930 he was named Archbishop of Milwaukee, at the age of 43.

More Than 1,500,000 in See

From Milwaukee he came to Chicago as spiritual leader of more than 1,500,000 Catholics of the Chicago see.

Archbishop Glennon, who has been leader of the St. Louis see for the past 42 years, is 83 years of age. Born in Ireland he was educated for the priesthood in a Dublin seminary and came to the United States in 1883 with an assignment at the Kansas City, Mo., Diocese.

Ordained in Kansas City in 1884, when 22 years of age, he was consecrated a bishop of Kansas City at the age of 34. He came to St. Louis in 1903.

Born in Maryland

Archbishop Mooney, 62-year-old head of the Detroit archdiocese since 1937, was born at Mount Savage, Md., in 1883.

The archbishop, whose career since his ordination 36 years ago has included teaching, theology, papal diplomacy and missionary direction, moved to Youngstown, Ohio, when he was a small child, and he began his studies there, completing his education at the American College in Rome, where he was ordained in 1909.

Youngstown was also the scene of the only pastoral appointment of his career. He went there to serve at St. Patrick Church in 1922 after holding the positions of professor of theology iin St. Mary Seminary, Cleveland, and headmaster of the Cathedral Latin School there. However, less than a year after going to St. Patrick he was called to Rome as spiritual director of the American College.

After his service as apostolic delegate, Archbishop Mooney was appointed to the diocese of Rochester, N. Y., where he stayed until coming to Detroit.

Other Appointments

These are the other appointments, as announced in Osservatore Romano, the Vatican newspaper:

Canada—James Charles MacGuigan, archbishop of Toronto.

Cuba—Emanuel Arteaga y Betancourt, archbishop of Havana.

Brazil—Carlo Carmelo de Vasconcellos Mottas, archbishop of Sao Paulo; Jaime de Barros Camera, archbishop of Rio de Janeiro.

Chile—Jose M. Caro Rodriguez, archbishop of Santiago.

Peru—Juan Goalberto Guevara, archbishop of Lima.

Argentina — Antonio Caggiano, archbishop of Rosario.

England—Bernard Griffin, archbishop of Westminster.

Hungary—Josef Mindszenty, archbishop of Strigonia.

Germany—Conrad von Preysing, archbishop of Berlin; Josef Frings, archbishop of Cologne, and Clement A. von Galen, bishop of Muenster.

Australia—Norman Gilroy, Archbishop of Sydney.

The Netherlands—Jon de Jong, Archbishop of Utrecht.

China — Tomasso Tien, Titular Bishop of Ruspe and Apostolic Vicar of Tsingtao.

France — Emile Roques, Archbishop of Rennes; Pierre Petit de Jullevile, Archbishop of Rouen, and Jules Saliege, Archbishop of Toulouse.

Poland—Adam Stefan Sapieha, Archbishop of Krakow.

Turkish Armenia—Gregory Peter XV, Aganianian Patriorach of Cilicia.

oMazmbique, Portuguese East Africa — Teodosio Clemente de Gouvenia, Archbishop of Laurenco Marquest.

Spain—Enrique Pla y Deniel, Archbishop of Toledo and Primate of Spain; Agostino Parrado y Garcia, Archbishop of Granada, and Emanuel Arce y Ochotorena, Archbishop of Tarragona.

Italy—Mgrs. Giuseppe Brun, secretary of the Sacred Congregation of the Council; Clemente Micara, Titular Archbishop of Apamea, Syria, and apostolic nuncio to Belgium; Ernesto Ruffini, Archbishop of Palermo, Italy; Benedetto Aoisi Masella, Titular Archbishop of Mauritania and papal nuncio to Brazil.

Von Preysing of Berlin and Von Galen of Muenster were noted for their firm opposition to the Nazi regime in Germany, and Monsignor Saliege of Toulouse was the bitter French anti-Nazi church leader who was credited with spiriting away from the wrath of the Germans in France a large number of Jews.

With the elevation of the new members of the Cardinals Cuba, Chile and Peru, among the Latin American nations, will be represented for the first time. Brazil has had a Cardinal in the past, but now will have two for the first time, and Argentina, which has the only present Latin American Cardinal, James Louis Copello of Buenos Aires, now also will have two for the first time.

It was pointed out that heretofore there never have been more than 69 members in the college. One vacancy always has been left. Thus the Pontiff has set a precedent in filling the college to the limit of 70 members.

The last consistory was called June 18, 1936, by Pius XI, when he brought the College of Cardinals to 69. Because of the war, which disrupted transportation and communications, the calling of a consistory to fill the many vacancies in the college long had been delayed.

Hirohito to Cut Politics Out Of Shintoism

Tokyo, Dec. 23 (AP).—Emperor Hirohito will make effective, on Christmas Day, General MacArthur's decree divorcing religion and government in Japan, the Kyodo news agency said today.

The imperial household's religious service ordinance will be drastically revised for the December 25 anniversary of the death, in 1926, of Emperor Yoshihito, father of the present Emperor.

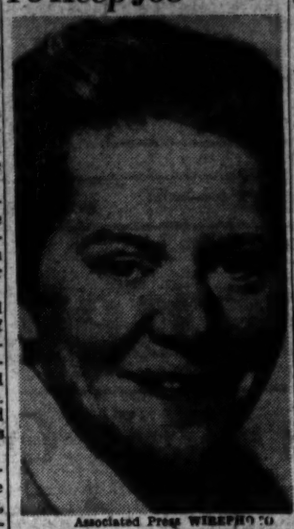
In the future, the Emperor will not be accompanied by members of the imperial family and government officials when he offers personal prayers or observes imperial festival days within the palace. Members of imperial families and officials may attend such functions at will, however.

Grand festivals, held by the Emperor to report important state matters to the imperial sanctuary, imperial ancestors' shrine and imperial mausoleum, will be discontinued entirely, as will be dispatch of imperial messengers to government an dnational shrines.

Festivals in the palace will be observed solely by the imperial household, while the thre biggest festivals of historically famous Kamo shrine in Kyoto, Iwashimizu-Hachiman shrine in Kyoto, and Kasuga shrine in Nara, will not be held next year.

The aniversary of the death of Emporer Yoshihito, December 25, will be only a routine holiday for the general public, instead of an observance under Shinto, as in the past.

Unwed Mother To Keep Job



Associated Press WIREPHOTO

INGER MERETE NORDENTOFT, unwed mother-to-be and Communist member of Denmark's parliament, who will retain her school-teaching job but will take a leave of absence until her baby is born next April, the Copenhagen school board has announced. Principal of one of Copenhagen's largest schools, she threatened to appeal to the highest court if the school board suspended her

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southeast gate an hour earlier, and special guests, disabled veterans from Walter Reed, Forest Glen and Bethesda Naval Hospitals, will join in singing carols during the ceremony.

President Truman will broadcast his and the Nation's holiday greetings to the world.

Tomorrow, families will not have to read the headlines of last Christmas Day. There'll be no news of the Battle of the Bulge; no threatened expansion of food rationing; no shortage of gas.

Washington Tranquil

Washington was tranquil yesterday, its quiet intensified by the overwhelming exodus of Government workers, off on a long-deserved four-day holiday.

Although the greatest rush of outgoing travelers occurred Friday and Saturday, trains and buses were well-crowded yesterday with those still homeward bound.

For the first time in several years, restaurants and hotels reported they had "plenty of space." Business was "too slow," many a restaurant manager wailed, adding there was little hope it would pick up by Christmas Day.

Reservations for the holiday were few and far between, in comparison with last Christmas, when many a hungry patron had to be turned away because there just wasn't any room.

"I guess most folks are planning to have dinner right at home, this year," volunteered a restaurant manager. "Those who haven't homes in Washington have left the city for their homes elsewhere, so we certainly won't be getting much business."

Hotels Empty Also

Yesterday, the weary traveler could walk up to any hotel desk and get a room.

"We're far from crowded," was the general report from hotels. "We have plenty of room now."

Washington hotels and streets may have been deserted, but not local churches. Maximum crowds of all sects gathered to give their thanks for this peaceful holiday and to listen again to the oft-told story of the Christ Child's birth.

Washington's Christmas Sunday quiet was pleasantly broken with a party here and there.

The Christmas Story was presented in tableau form by members of the USO, Employed Girls and Kamp Kahlert groups at the YWCA, 17th and K sts. nw., in the afternoon. Carol singing and refreshments at an open-house followed the program.

Sick Children Treated

The youngsters at Children's Hospital had a Christmas treat in the early afternoon when Alice Lane, who conducts a shoppers' program over Station WWDC, arrived with 400 gifts for them, contributed by her listeners.

Presents, gathered by the American Legion during its "Gifts to the Yanks" campaign, were presented to veterans at Forest Glen and Mount Alto Hospitals.

Chimes and sacred music rang out over deserted downtown Washington in the afternoon. They'll be heard again today over American University's public address system, 1900 block of F st. nw., ushering in—

"T'was the night before Christmas . . ."

National Guard To Take Over Army Airfields

By the Associated Press

National Guard air units are expected to use a number of the airfields now being abandoned by Army air forces as wartime requirements shrink.

War Department officials, planning for participation of State units in the National defense system, said yesterday that the operation of a National Guard Air Force of perhaps 2000 first-line planes would require facilities far more comprehensive than those of pre-war days.

Planning has not yet reached the point where specific fields have been selected, officials said, explaining that this is being worked out with State officials.

Officials of the National Guard Bureau of the War Department said the postwar aviation section of the National Guard would be a "very active component of the Nation's air defense."

Present plans contemplate a National Guard Air Force almost double the size of the prewar force in number of units and far more than that in planes and men. Currently, the idea is for about 80 squadrons, compared with 44 before the war.

Prewar National Guard air units generally were observation units. Postwar emphasis will be placed on fighter and fighter-bomber types.

While initially State air forces will have the surplus aircraft stocks of Army Air Forces to draw upon, the planners emphasize that there is no intention to let the equipment of the Guard become obsolete. The replacement program for the AAF is being coordinated with plans for keeping the National Guard aviation units on a modern, efficient basis.

The AAF has advised the War Department that to meet expected postwar strategic requirements a regular air force of 8200 planes, including 5000 combat aircraft, will be needed.

Plastics From Rays

Pittsburgh.—Just add the proper "dash" of invisible ultraviolet rays, and you can create new types of plastics, rubber products, chemicals and foods. Eugene W. Beggs, Westinghouse Lamp Division engineer, predicts amazing chemical reactions by irradiating compounds with ultraviolet lamps.

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in London last autumn," he wrote.

"The preparation of peace treaties with Italy, Finland, Hungary, Rumania and Bulgaria, which was the task of the London conference, forms no part of the agenda nor does a future settlement with Germany . . . A report that a British plan for the future of the Ruhr is to be discussed in Moscow is incorrect. No such plan would be submitted to a conference in which France has taken no part."

The correspondent added that the Persian problem, which "Russian steps in the last few days have made more, not less, difficult," probably would be discussed plus Russia's apparent moves toward expanded influence in the eastern Mediterranean.

"Russian strategy seems to be aimed at making Britain in the Middle East rather than America in the Far East pay the price . . ." For overcoming diplomatic differences among the Big Three," he wrote.

Possible 3d War Forecast

London, Dec. 23 (INS).—Turkish press reports from Istanbul tonight forecast a possible third world war if Russia persists in territorial claims against Turkey.

The newspaper comments, the most outspoken statements since the Moscow press voiced demands for return of territory claimed by the Georgian Soviet Republic, were reported by Reuter.

Repudiating the Georgian claims, the pro-Allied newspaper Vakit declared:

"If Russia does not drop these claims, Turkey will undoubtedly envisage war."

Tanin and Vatan, both pro-democratic papers, expressed simlar views.

"If a third world war breaks out, the cause will be Turkey and the straits (the Dardanelles and the Posporus)," Tanin said.

Vatan declared:

"We attacked nobody and were attacked by nobody Turkey asks for no territory; she is not prepared to give up any territory."

The Ankara radio quoted the newspaper Ulus as condemning rumors of any territorial annexation plans.

"We know peace can be founded only on the maintenance of treaties and on respect for the territorial integrity of others," Ulus said.

Modern Santa . . .

Photo by Harry Marschalk

ARRIVES BY AIR—More than 300 children and their parents were on hand Saturday to greet Santa Claus when he flew in to visit them on the grounds of the former Argyle Country Club in Silver Spring, Md. From left, the children are Welissa Willson, 9; Wotan Heatwole, 5; Sally Kaiser, 5, and Anne Pat Reardon, 6. Santa is James McCann. John Gallagher was his pilot. The Silver Spring Elks Club held a Christmas party after Santa's arrival

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up my sister, Barbara, and we broke a window in her bedroom. Mama went out the window and then Barbara.

"Bruce, my baby, started down the stairs into the fire and I went down to get him—that's when I was burned.

"I put Bruce through the window and was almost overcome by smoke. My nephew, George Quattlebaum, was in the room next to the living room and he stayed there helping to get the children out as long as he could."

Slipped Out Quietly

Quattlebaum, who lives at 634 4th st. nw., a private in the Army, was uninjured.

Mrs. Holstein said that Buddy, who slept in her bed, must have slipped out quietly as she was not awakened.

Pvts. J. W. Hayes and C. F. Sullivan of No. 1 Precinct, cruising in a scout car nearby, said they entered the flaming house and found Mrs. Holstein's 17-year-daughter, Annie Laurie, in the downstairs hallway, her nightclothes ablaze.

After beating out the flames they rushed her to the hospital.

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taching riders to appropriation measures.

Announcement of the pocket-veto follows a long chain of rebuffs which Mr. Truman has received at the hands of Congress on his reconversion program. He warned the legislative body in his radio address on wages and prices that he would strongly oppose immediate return of the employment offices to State control.

Court 'Regular' Fined $50

Boston—Joseph Fine, 48, of Roxbury was fined $50 when he appeared in court for the fifty-fifth time as a violator of the automobile laws.

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Hagerstown, Md. About 130 drivers were involved. Negotiations toward a settlement were underway yesterday afternoon. The Blue Ridge System operates eight runs daily out of Washington to Pittsburgh and intermediate points.

Some startling statistics about travel out of Washington were given by B. R. Tolson, manager of the Washington Terminal, yesterday. Among them are:

1. A total of 78 ticket-selling windows operated Friday and Saturday at Union Station. Before the war 15 were sufficient.

2. Washington Terminal is handling between 6000 and 6500 trains, freight, mail and passenger, daily.

3. More traffic is being handled out of Washington this year than the total combined traffic being handled by 78 of the 200 Class 1 railroads in the United States.

4. One thousand railroad employes were needed to handle the mail out of Washington the last 10 days—814 men working at the Union Station alone.

5. Washington is the largest interchange terminal on the East Coast — accommodating travelers making connections from one train to another.

In two categories Union Station was behind last year. First was in overseas mail, which had a distinct decline due to the return of millions of soldiers from overseas. The second was in daily loading of mail, where the peak day was 243 carloads. The peak a year ago was 244.

Tolson doesn't expect any difficulties in taking care of return traffic. "Many of the passengers are going for extended vacations—particularly those from the North going South. There will be a rush late Christmas Day, but not more than the normal Christmas rush.

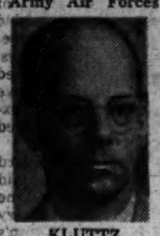
Stop That Cold
TAKE
ROBERTS COLD CAPSULES
30c AT ALL DRUG STORES

The Federal Diary

By Jerry Kluttz

Lay-Offs by Army Hit High Levels Hardest

WAR: Dismissal notices for 600 employes here in Ordnance will become effective on January 1. The Army Air Forces will turn off about 80 civilians at the same time and a small reduction will be made in the Signal Corps. About half the Ordnance employes will land jobs in other offices in the department. Two hundred are grade 2 and 3 clerks, typists, and stenographers and they were all offered jobs in the Adjutant General's office. The lay-offs are hitting hardest at the higher level people, and grade 7's and up. No vacancies at War and few throughout the Government here are open for them. The department is still hiring grade 2's and 3's as it has more than 1200 vacancies here in these low grades.



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PROBLEM: The department has orders to replace about 800 military personnel with civilians in the Signal Corps communications center at the Pentagon. It has a campaign on to persuade soldiers in the jobs to stay on as civilians after their discharge. The jobs are highly secret, technical and peculiar to the communications center, and few outsiders are trained for them. However, the drive to retain the soldiers hasn't been successful and a program to train civilians for the jobs probably will be set up. The center works round the clock, seven days a week. War's Map Service on MacArthur blvd. has been given the "go-ahead" and it has taken over map work that was farmed out to other agencies by the War Department. As a result, this agency will continue to expand and it has an order in for 125 draftsmen, engineering aides and other employes.

WASTE: Representative Jed Johnson of Oklahoma, reports: "I happen to know that some members of the Federal Courts are forced to write their decisions in longhand when their law clerks don't happen to be stenographers. This, of course, is an inexcusable waste of time." He proposes that Federal judges be given a larger allowance for clerical help . . . RFC: The terms of all board members will expire on January 22 . . . POST OFFICE: It has an unclaimed money order fund of more than 27 million dollars. The fund has jumped 10 million dollars in each of the past two years . . . STATE: That part of Foreign Economic Administration which will transferred to State, plus the Army-Navy Liquidation Commission, are being merged into an Office of Foreign Liquidation. Tom McCabe is commissioner and his deputy will be Maj. Gen. Donald H. Connolly, former head of CAA. Rear Admiral W. B. Young is assistant commissioner, and Commodore W. L. Nelson is executive officer.

MERGER: Two CIO unions, the United Federal Workers of America and the State, County and Municipal Workers of America, are planning to merge forces and the membership will be asked to vote soon on the question. It's planned to bring the unions together at joint conventions to be held in Atlantic City during April . . . WAR: Locals of the AFL's American Federation of Government Employes are affiliating with the Central Labor Union in Alexandria to declare political war on Senator Harry F. Byrd because of his opposition to the Downey 20 per cent pay bill. Meantime, groups of Federal workers who live in Virginia are talking about organizing to defeat the Senator and his candidates in the election next year.

DIARY NOTES: All field offices of the Civilian Production Administration will be closed no later than the end of this month. More than 1000 field employes will be laid off within the next week. . . . The Petroleum Administration for War has closed all its field offices. It will lay off 75 employes here before January 1, to bring it down to 90 employes. PAW had a wartime high of 1480 employes. The agency will be out of business altogether within a few months. . . . The Office of Price Administration is hiring accountants at salaries ranging from $2980 to $5180. Those interested should contact Frank Howell, chief of the machinery branch, Room 6227 in the main OPA building. . . . Lou Rumpff, employment coordinator at the War Department, is to be appointed deputy director of civilian personnel at the Antilles command at San Juan, Puerto Rico. The command has 20,000 civilians of the six participating nations. . . . Walter A Graham, former personnel officer of censorship, has been elected cashier and a director of the Peoples Bank of Pembroke, Ky. . . . Lou Silverberg, director of information at NLRB, has written a book on the Wagner Act.

World-Wide Carols Offered at Church

Charlottesville, Va., Dec. 23.—Christmas carols from many lands, as traditionally sung at Trinity Church, New York City, were rendered at 8 o'clock tonight at historic Grace Episcopal Church, at Cismont, this county.

The program was directed by H. Lyman Bright, and special soloist included Mrs. Theodore Bogart and Mrs. H. Lyman Bright. Descants were sung by Mrs. W. B. Merritt, Mrs. J Dean Tilman, jr., and Mrs. Bogert. Midway the service, there was a word of greeting by the rector, the Rev. Claude C. Swain.

D. C. Churches Start Holiday Services Today

"The hopes and fears
Of all the years
Are met in thee tonight . . ."

District churches tonight will join a grateful Nation in celebrating the coming of Christmas without war.

Services planned in several hundred churches tonight follow a "Christmas Sunday" observance yesterday. Churches were jammed to capacity.

Traditional midnight masses will be celebrated tonight in Catholic churches. There will be Holy Communion and other services in Protestant churches.

Service Personnel Helps

Service personnel and former servicemen played an important role in yesterday's services.

Maj. William F. Frost, former chaplain of the antiaircraft headquarters group at Bliss Field, Tex., who spent Christmas in 1942 and 1943 in the Aleutians, yesterday was welcomed as a new member of First Congregational Church, 10th and G sts. nw., as was his wife.

Chaplain and Mrs. Frost became members through letters of transfer from the Congregational Church of Highland, Calif., of which he was formerly minister. The ceremony for new members came during a "welcome home" program for servicemen.

For Less Fortunate

Service personnel did their bit in helping to insure a happy Christmas for the less unfortunate.

Down at the Central Union Mission, 613 C st. nw., Robertt Porter, Em1/c, and Marine Corpl. Vivian Crabtree were among the service personnel who helped distribute gifts to the needy at the annual party. Maj. William F. Ramsey, who has been connected with the mission 58 years, played Santa Claus.

Among the Christmas eve highlights are the following:

There will be a midnight celebration of communion at the Washington Cathedral, preceded by a program of carols sung by the Cathedral choir at 11:15 p. m. R. Wayne Dirksen, assistant Cathedral organist, will give a recital at 10:45 p. m. Doors will open at 10 p. m.

Former Chaplain to Officiate

The Rev. C. Leslie Glenn, who as Navy chaplain spent last Christmas on the high seas, will celebrate Holy Communion at 11 p. m. at St. John's Episcopal Church, 16th and H sts. nw.

The solemn high mass at midnight, at the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Catholic University, will be preceded by the singing of carols by the Atonement Seminary Choir. The doors will be open at 11:30 p. m.

The Lutheran Service Center, 736 Jackson pl. nw., wil lsponsor a program of carols at 8 p. m. around a 15-foot tre which was hewn by servicemen from a wooded section of the Northeast. A party will be held at the center Christmas Day at 8 p. m. The Rev. Robert E. Van Deusen, service pastor, is arranging the programs at the center.

Poles to Attend Mass

The Polish Club of Washington wil sponsor a "Pasterka" (imdnight mass) at Giggons Hal Shapel, 620 Michigan ave., Catholic University. Polish carols will be sung.

Christmas Day highlight will be the nineteenth annual Federation of Churches' city-wide service at 11 a. m., at New York Avenue Presbyterian Church. The Rev. L. Ralph Tabor, pastor of Luther Place Memorial Church, Thomas Circle, is chairman of the committee arranging the service. The speaker will be Dr. John W. Rustin, minister of Mount Vernon Place Methodist Church.

Meanwhile, many Christmas keynoted-sermons were heard from Washington pulpits yesterday.

Real Meaning Lost

Dr. Peter Marshall criticized those who are "so busy getting ready for Christmas, they haven't time to remember what they're getting ready for." He addressed a capacity congregation attending the regular pre-Christmas services at New York Avenue Presbyterian Church.

"The real meaning of Christmas is lost in the tinsel and the colored lights. Once again, there is no room for Christ," Dr. Marshall said.

The Presbyterian pastor declared there is no real peace anywhere in the world today, not even here in the United States that "ought to be the happiest nation in the world, that has so much to be thankful for, it can't assess its blessings."

"Man never sems to learn that peace on earth, proclaimed 1900 years ago, can issue only out of righteousness. It can't be forced by occupation armies. It grows only in the hearts of men, but man was ever reluctant to embrace the only power which will make them righteous," Dr. Marshall continued.

St. David's Chapel Welcomes New Vicar

The Rev. Albert E. Taylor, formerly rector of St. James Church, Dundee, suburb of Chicago, Ill., yesterday was welcomed as new vicar of St. David's Chapel, Macomb st. and Klingle rd. nw.

The English-born Mr. Taylor came to America shortly before World War I and launched into a business career which continued for 20 years.

But Mr. Taylor found time even amid pressing duties to engage in religious work. Subsequently he sold his business and entered Seabury-Western Theological Seminary, near Chicago. Then, within half of the time usually required, he was ordained to the deaconate and into the Episcopal priesthood.

The late Bishop George Craig Stewart gave him charge of a little mission at Dundee, which Mr. Taylor soon developed into a thriving parish. As a matter of record, he did so well that in 1939 he was awarded Bishop Stewart's annual Distinguished Service Cross.

St. David's Chapel, by the way, is a mission of St. Alban's Parish, of which Dr. Charles T. Warner is rector.

Mission Christmas Party

Post Staff Photo

FUN FOR NEEDY CHILDREN—Robert Porter, a sailor, and Vivian Crabtree, a Marine, help distribute gifts to community children at yesterday's Christmas party at the Central Union Mision, 613 C st. nw.

Jap Antisub Torpedo Seized By U. S. Agents

Tokyo, Dec. 23 (U.P.).—Details of a proposed airborne antisubmarine torpedo which circled under water until it destroyed its target are among the many military and technical secrets seized by American agents in Japan, an intelligence report disclosed today.

"When our work here is finished, the United States Government will possess more information about Japan than any nation ever possessed about another," said Maj. Gen. Charles A. Willoughby, assistant chief of staff for intelligence to Gen. Douglas MacArthur's supreme command.

The Japanese stopped work on the antisubmarine torpedo late in 1944 because they lacked a satisfactory gyroscope control unit, the report said.

The proposed weapon operated on the glider principle when it was dropped from the carrying plane, becoming a torpedo when it hit the water. In the water it sank and circled continuously at various depths on a 130-foot radius.

"The plan was to keep the torpedo moving about the sea where enemy underwater craft were spotted until its high explosive charge made contact with the submarine," the report said.

Barred at Door

Cab Calloway Held in Fight At Ballroom

Kansas City, Dec. 23 (AP).—Cab Calloway, Negro band leader, was booked on a charge of intoxication and resisting arrest after a scuffle last night at the entrance to a ballroom, where he told police he had gone to visit another Negro band leader, Lional Hampton.

Calloway was treated at General Hospital for cuts on the head.

Hampton learned of the incident at the 10:45 o'clock dance intermission and refused to let his orchestra continue playing. The management refunded admissions of the 1500 present.

Police Sergt. William Garrett said Calloway told him that he and Felix H. Payne, Kansas City Negro, had gone to the Pla-Mor ballroom which does not admit Negroes, at Hampton's invitation and had purchased tickets but were denied admission by the doorman.

William Todd, a special officer employed by the ballroom, told police he had refunded the money to Calloway and Payne and asked them to leave. Todd asserted Payne struck at him and Calloway "pushed" him to the floor.

"I got up and struck Calloway and then drew my revolver," Todd said. "I hit him over the head several times."

Other employes stopped the fight and called police, who took Calloway and Payne to the hospital and later to headquarters. Payne denied he struck at Todd.

Payne was booked on charges of intoxication, resisting arrest and interfering with an officer.

Calloway and Payne were released under $500 bonds for appearance n municipal court Monday morning.

Calloway's orchestra played at the Municipal Auditorium arena last Sunday night.

Expert to Examine Richmond Car System

Richmond, Va., Dec. 22 (AP).—Edward A. Roberts, consulting engineer of Flushing, N. Y., and an authority on street and bus transportation, has been engaged to make a study of Richmond's transportation, Lewis G. Chewning, announced today.

Officials Study Policy Toward Balkan States

By Graham Hovey
Associated Press Staff Writer

Officials concerned with the Balkans are studying the tactics used by the United States in recognizing the new Yugoslav republic for their possible application to Romania and Bulgaria.

Acting Secretary of State Dean Acheson Friday night announced recognition of the regime headed by Marshal Tito, but made it clear that the U. S.:

1. Believes Tito thus far has failed to permit the Yugoslavs the basic freedoms he promised, including a "free and untrammeled election."

2. Will go slow on economic assistance to Yugoslavia until satisfied that those obligations have been reasonably well fulfilled.

Although emphasizing that the situation is different in each of the three countries, officials say the second point probably will apply not only to Bulgaria and Romania but other parts of Europe and the world.

"If there is any pattern in the statement on Yugoslavia which might apply elsewhere, it is the reference to economic relations with the United States," said one official.

It was recalled that President Truman implied in his directive to Gen. George C. Marshall December 15 that China can expect economic assistance from the U. S. only as it moves along recommended lines toward unity and peace.

The U. S., thus far, has not established diplomatic relations with the provisional governments of Romania and Bulgaria. It has indicated several times that it regards both regimes as Russian-sponsored and Communist-dominated. Britain has followed the same policy.

Secretary of State Byrnes recently sent Mark Ethridge, Louisville publisher, to both countries to determine if the provincial governments are broadly representative and their plans for national elections democratic.

RFC Offers 20 Surplus Realty Parcels

By the United Press

The Reconstruction Finance Corporation announced last night that 20 more surplus properties, including an aircraft manufacturing plant at Grand Prairie, Tex., have been offered for sale or lease.

The aircraft plant, operated during the war by North American Aviation, Inc., has 85 buildings with a total floor area of 2,985,000 square feet on a 272-acre site. It has its own cafeterias, storage facilities, foundry, shops and power plants.

Also up for sale or lease is the aircraft parts plant at Los Angeles, used by the Weber Showcase and Fixture Co., for production of outer wing edge structures and for assembly of long range fuel tanks.

Other Plants Offered

Other plants for sale or lease:

A plant at Valparaiso, Ind., where the Indiana Steel Products Co., manufactured permanent type magnets used in radios; a plant operated by Foote Brothers Gear & Machine Co., Chicago, makers of aircraft gear; another Foote Brothers plant at Chicago, where the company produced aircraft engine parts.

The Curtis-Wright Corp. plant, Buffalo, N. Y., for the overhauling and repairing of aircraft; an aircraft modification plant at Niagara, N. Y., operated by Bell Aircraft Corp.; the New River ordnance plant Pulaski, Va., operated by Hercules Powder Co.; a Waco (Tex.) plant operated by the General Tire & Rubber Co. for production of truck tires and tubes.

A plant at Milwaukee, Wis., operated by the Chain Belt Co., for production of antiaircraft guns; the Koppers Co. plant, Baltimore, for production of carriages for minor caliber guns; a plant operated by Stupakoff Ceramic & Manufacturing Co., LaTrobe, Pa., for production of radio ceramic parts.

Two Virginia Properties

A plant operated by the Minneapolis-Honeywell Co., Minneapolis, Minn., where it made fire control instruments and a similar plant at Rochester, N. Y., operated by the Eastman Kodak Co.; a Symington-Gould Corp. foundry, Rochester, N. Y.; five small buildings at Paytes, Va., where Panaminas, Inc., made zinc, lead and copper sulphide concentrates.

The West Point military reservation, at West Point, Va.; an 11-acre tract of land near the Philadelphia Army supply base; an 85-acre tract at Columbus, Nebr.; a 9-acre tract at Hunts Point ave. and 30th st., Long Island City, N. Y.

Father Deppe to Hold Three Midnight Masses

Three midnight masses will be conducted by St. Michael's Catholic Church, Silver Spring, Md., today. The Rev. Joseph Deppe, pastor, announced that services will be held in the upper and lower churches at Georgia and Wayne aves. and an additional mass in the school auditorium on Wayne ave. Special Christmas music, under the direction of Miss Mary Keane, will be sung by the choir in the upper church.

Masses tomorrow morning will be conducted on the regular Sunday schedule.

He Swam To Reach Her

Associated Press WIREPHOTOS

BUT FAILED—Herbert J. Lamourex, above, 22, of Fitchburg, Mass., a former GI, nearly drowned when he dived off the ship Rushville Victory Saturday and tried to swim 5 miles to reach his English wife, Veronica, lower photo, and 5-weeks-old daughter. A naval launch rescued Lamourex and British immigration officials regretfully deported him at once because he had no entrance visa

Brazil to Be Governed By Temporary Charter

Rio de Janeiro, Dec. 23 (AP).—Brazilian newspapers said today that President-elect Enrico Gaspar Dutra, who takes office early in 1946, would govern Brazil under terms of a temporary constitutional charter.

The charter is being written by the interim government of President Jose Linhares. It will supercede deposed President Getulio Vargas' "new state" charter of 1937 which hsa been under heavy attack as authoritarian, the newspapers said.

12,619 Evaded Draft Law Here In Past 5 Years

The District has had 12,619 draft delinquents since the date of the first draft registration in October, 1940, through November 30, 1945, the Federal Bureau of Investigation revealed yesterday.

(Figures for District evaders in World War I are not available, although the number of connections in both wars is, so far, about the same.)

All these men registered here and committed some wilful violation of the draft act. Their offenses include open evasion, failure to report for induction, and failure to notify their local boards of a change in address.

Aim Is To Compel Service

About 250 have been tried. The majority were convicted and sentenced to jail or fined. Others have been tracked down and inducted into the service, and still are being sought by the FBI.

"Our object," said an FBI spokesman, "is not to imprison the men for their offenses but to track them down and make them available for induction into the armed forces."

Since the draft law was amended to make only men under 26 eligible for the draft, new cases have decreased, although some are still opening daily. Older men charged with a draft offense and not located are being hunted.

Many Cases Pending

In the entire Nation, the FBI has investigated a total of 535,774 violation cases. Of these, 13,538 have resulted in court convictions. Sentences imposed totaled 34,702 years and fines totaled $1095,231. Cases still pending number 13,697.

Some 25,975 of the men tracked down as draft law fugitives have been found to be double offenders, charged with other law violations in cities throughout the country.

During World War I a total of 15,111 persons were convicted of slacker violations, considerably more than the total number of convicted violators in World War II. On Armistice Day of World War I, pending ces totaled 295,184, again many more than the number of cases pending today. More than 10,000 men were prosecuted during World War I for the single offense of failing to register for the draft. Sentences imposed during World War I totaled more than 34,000 years, with fines of $1,089,181.

Home-Finder for Army Finds Self in Same Spot

Charlottesville, Va., Dec. 23.—Today's motto for Lieut. Jim L. Bridges, assistant executive at the Army's School of Military at the University of Virginia, could well be "Charity Begins at Home."

Lieutenant Bridges, whose duty it is to find homes for the Army personnel assigned the school today is house-hunting for none other than one Lieutenant Bridges. Occupant of a small cottage, he has received notice that he must vacate by January 2.

He's getting a lot of ribbing about the spot he finds himself in, but is taking it good-naturedly and appears confident. At least, he's had plenty of experience at the little game of house-hunting.

Cub Scouts Display Gifts

Photo by Kaye Lee Hinz

IN RIVERDALE—Six Cub Scouts and their Den Chief display gifts which they have made over the last several weeks for children at St. Ann's Orphanage. Left to right are Joe Logan, 9; John Rowe, 10; Jimmy Turner, 10; Den Chief Thomas Swindell, 13; John McGuire, 10; David Garrison, 9, and Lawrence Laughlin, 9. A seventh Cub Scout, Philip Page, 11, who helped make the gifts, is ill. The boys are members of Den 2, Pack 217, Riverdale, Md.

BARNABY — **By Crockett Johnson**

Bornaby! It's twelve o'clock. Santa Claus has been here!
Where are my presents?
Christmas is one time we can take his mind off his imaginary Fairy Godfather. He's opening his packages—
Pop!
Where's my present from Mr. O'Malley, my Fairy Godfather?
CROCKETT JOHNSON

Nelson B. Bell About the Showshops

Star's Queer Qualms Also Are Expendable; Notes of the Theater

AN ADDED FILLIP was given the Carter Barron-Loew Christmas party at the Shoreham last Thursday night by the appearance of Robert Montgomery at the banquet board in time for after-dinner coffee. As unexpected as the arrival of the surprise guest were some of the anxieties that are plaguing him with regard to "They Were Expendable," his first starring picture since his long wartime service as an officer in the U. S. Navy, due to open on the screen at Loew's Palace Theater, come next Monday, to the tag end of which is appended New Year's Eve.

Robert Montgomery

Mr. Montgomery's chief perplexity seems to stem from his speculation as to probable public reaction to as fine a picture of its type as anyone ever is apt to see.

So early in the peace, will Mr. John Q. stampede the box office to see "another war picture," or turn thumbs down and pass it up, even though it be one of the best? (That "one of the best" is ours, not Mr. Montgomery's, although he must know the estimate is as right as rain before it turns to snow.)

Mr. Montgomery, it seems, has made some unfortunate contacts.

"A disturbing number of experienced exhibitors," he was saying, "especially in the Southwest, have been telling me that they feel, personally, that 'Expendable' is a good picture, and in the same breath that their publics will have no part of any war picture, good, bad or indifferent. I have two good reasons for wanting to find out in a hurry if they are right."

So the Public Is Crazy!

With high disregard for the etiquette book's caution against prying into other people's business, somebody asked point blank what the two reasons were.

"The reasons," Comdr. Montgomery replied, "are two more pictures that fall into the same classification. Both deserve to be made, but not if the public is going to shut its eyes and play blind when they come along. Let's see how 'Expendable' does, first."

That, no doubt, is sound business sense, but it is also a thinly veiled reflection on the soundness of public judgment.

You can't condemn pictures by categories or classifications. What Mr. Montgomery's exhibitor friends probably mean is that their publics are fed up with poor war pictures.

It just happens to be that "They Were Expendable" is not one of these. On the contrary, it is one of the best—like Noel Coward's "In Which We Serve," or, on land, Lt. Col. David MacDonald's "Desert Victory."

I dare say the other two Bob has in mind would turn out to be the same. Otherwise, he wouldn't be having anything to do with them.

Montgomery, incidentally, is no stranger to the PT-boats that inspired "Expendable." Although his service as an ambulance driver in France at the beginning of the war, and his later exploits on heavier craft in both oceans, after we got in, have rather obscured the fact that he, like Comdr. John Bulkeley, also once did a tour of duty as commanding officer of a PT squadron. Both hold these venomous little waterbugs in high esteem—but not for five-hour pleasure jaunts down the Potomac, like last Monday's on the coldest day of the year. We are as one in the thought that the "Salute to the Navy" people must have had August in mind and merely got a little impatient!

Sidney Lust, chain-theater operator in Washington and nearby Maryland, and the Bethesda Kiwanis Club have joined forces to sponsor a series of free Saturday matinee performances for the youngsters of the Baptist Home for Children, at Lust's Bethesda Theater. Special short subjects, in addition to the regular screen features, will be programmed for the juvenile audiences. Under the same joint auspices, plans are being laid for special clothing matinees at the Bethesda, as part of the Nation-wide "Victory Clothing Drive," to be conducted January 7 to 31, inclusive, in behalf of the sufferers in war-ravaged countries.

For Easy Reference

As an aid to holiday showshopping—and assuming, precariously enough, that we have our information on straight—new screen exhibits will be going on view Christmas Day as follows:

At RKO-Keith's Theater, Bing Crosby, Ingrid Bergman and a highly rated supporting cast, in "The Bells of St. Mary's," Leo McCarey's splendid sequel to "Going My Way."

"San Antonio," a top-grade "Western" in Technicolor, costarring Errol Flynn and Alexis Smith, likewise handsomely supported, at the Earle.

"Snafu," film version of the comedy stage hit, with a likely cast of juvenile players, at the Metropolitan.

At the Little Theater, Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's "Bewitched," Arch Oboler's merging of cinema and radio, with Edmund Gwenn and Phyllis Thaxter at the top of the cast, for its first Washington engagement.

As recited here piecemeal from time to time in recent days, practically all of the neighborhood picture houses in the District will be holding holiday matinees tomorrow. At the Warner houses, doors will open at 2:45 p. m., with the first performance at 3. The downtown Earle and Metropolitan theaters also will be operating on altered schedules. Doors will open for "San Antonio," at the Earle, at 12:15 p. m., with the first screening at 12:45; "Snafu" will take the screen at the Met. at 1 p. m., with the doors unlocked at 12:30.

Just as every one expected, Walt Disney's "Pinocchio" has turned in the biggest pre-Christmas week in the history of RKO-Keith's. The youngsters in the audience ate it up, and those who took them were thankful for the excuse. I have before me a lengthy wire from Manager Sol Sorkin that says so in practically I-don't-know-how-many words.

Tonight's-the-Night Note

Don't forget to rivet your stocking to the radiator!

Gov. Darden Won Ham 2 Years Ago; Now He Can Eat It

Richmond, Va., 22 (AP).—That 200-pound pig that Governor Darden won from the Governor of Nebraska more than two years ago when Virginia made a better showing in the Third War Loan Drive than did Nebraska at last will fulfill his destiny.

The Governor collected his bet in October, 1943, but his prize became involved with ration points. He found he could not eat the porker, nor give it away, without surrendering, or collecting, ration points.

The executive mansion's ration books were low in meat points, so the Governor had his hog slaughtered and placed in cold storage.

Now that the rationing of meats has ended, the pig has been hauled out of its storage bin—and the Governor and some of his friends are eating ham during the holiday season.

Grin and Bear It

By Lichty

"Do you have to patch up last year's tree?—Can't you forget you're a tree surgeon just once, and buy a new tree?"

JANE ARDEN

12-24
I'VE HAD A NICE TIME, HI—
WAIT A MINUTE—ARENT YOU GOING TO ASK ME IN?
I CANT— MY LANDLADY IS VERY STRICT!
IN THAT CASE I'LL HAVE TO KISS YOU GOODNIGHT RIGHT HERE!
WHAT GOES ON HERE?
FRANK! WHEN DID YOU GET HOME?
?

The Washington Merry-Go-Round

By Drew Pearson

(Note—Another Drew Pearson column on the Sermon on the Mount as applied to diplomacy will follow shortly.)

THIS CHRISTMAS EVE finds Secretary of State James F. Byrnes in Moscow on the most important mission of his long and varied career. It is not too much to say that upon his talks may depend in large part whether we have peace or war within the next generation.

In a very real sense, Byrnes is endeavoring to carry out the spirit and principles which a Man born in Bethlehem gave mankind 2000 years ago and which this tired world has looked forward to but never attained during the selfish and sometimes bloody years that followed.

Byrnes started on his momentous mission with the best will in the world, but little advance preparation. That, however, was not his fault. It is extremely difficult these days to prepare things with the Russians in advance. If the Secretary of State sends for the British Ambassador, he talks to a former Minister of Foreign Affairs who can talk with authority as a virtual member of the British Cabinet. But if he sends for the Russian Ambassador, he meets a nice but inexperienced former secretary who says that he must refer everything to Moscow.

That is what Byrnes has now done. He has referred the matter to Moscow—in person.

He has wisely taken with him the advisers who are most sympathetic to the Russians, leaving behind those who have always tangled in Soviet hair. He is doing his level best to succeed.

Probably, in view of all this, Byrnes will be able to work out some kind of an agreement. But experienced diplomats fear that it will be only a patchwork agreement and that if the whole problem is not settled, the patching will have to be done again and again with the whole fabric eventually pulling apart. Specifically, Byrnes will not succeed in getting the Russians out of northern Iran, nor will he be able to adjust the Soviet dispute with Turkey.

Military Suspicious

MEANWHILE, MILITARY minds both in the United States and Great Britain feel that the Russians are doing exactly the same thing Hitler did between 1936 and 1939, when he gradually edged into the Rhineland, then Czechoslovakia.

This, of course, is the ultra-pessimistic view, but it is held in some high Anglo-American councils, so cannot be ignored.

The military mind points out that Russia is taking over the Balkans, next Iran, later Turkey—all at a time when the western world is tired of war and when the weary American and British people take much the same attitude toward these distant areas that they did toward Austria and Czechoslovakia in 1938.

But instead of the give-'em-more-room-and-they'll-be-satisfied policy, there is a certain military school of thought which believes the time for a showdown is right now.

The military argue that today we are strong, the Russians relatively weak. They argue that we have exactly one year and a half of time left. In one year and a half, the Russians will have perfected the atom bomb. Probably they already have the secret, but it will take time to set up factories and produce it.

Surprise Atom Attack

AFTER 18 MONTHS, argue the military, there can be no showdown with Russia for the reason that we won't have anything to show with. Someday we'll wake up and find our own cities atom-bombed and the entire USA destroyed in a single afternoon.

This, of course, is very plain talking. And it may offend some people's feelings to read it in black and white. But while this writer does not at all agree with the military thesis, he does believe that these problems have got to be discussed—openly.

In one respect, certainly, the military are right. The United States could be destroyed by atom bombs in a single afternoon.

So also could Russia. And that is what the extremists among the Anglo-American military would like to do. They argue, quite brutally, that if we don't do it now—while we can—that it will be done to us a year and a half later.

Unfortunately, there is a group inside Russia which probably feels pretty much the same way.

This is the crux of the hard, cold, unfortunate problem faced by Secretary Byrnes at Moscow. That is why I said earlier that his mission is the most vital, the most important of his long and varied career. It is much more than that. In his diplomatic talks with Molotov and Bevin are wrapped up the peace of the world for years to come.

Czar's Army—Stalin's Army

FOR UNFORTUNATELY the Soviet military have increased in prestige and power during the war years. There have been some intimations—always difficult to pin down—that Molotov is more answerable to them than to Stalin. It was the Czar's Army which ran the Czar, and now may well be that it is Stalin's Army which runs Stalin.

At any rate, if the military of Russia and a certain military clique in the United States and Great Britain had their way, there is no question in this writer's mind what the outcome would be. The military are suspicious people. Suspicion breeds suspicion, and suspicion breeds war.

Sometimes, however, it takes the abyss of pessimism and hopelessness to arouse people to new and revolutionary measure. Actually the situation is by no means hopeless—unless it is left to the military minds.

The atom is a revolutionary weapon, the most revolutionary in all history. It needs revolutionary diplomacy to combat it. Old-fashioned talks between three or four diplomats, well-intentioned and able as they may be, who sit for a few days around a green baize table and then issue brief communiques to the public aimed to cover up what they didn't accomplish, will not in my opinion cure the gnawing suspicion, the selfish ambition, the lust for power that breeds war.

Only diplomacy of the most revolutionary kind, based upon the Sermon on the Mount can counteract the revolutionary weapon of the atom bomb. Many of us have forgotten that Christ was a revolutionary. Sometimes the world has forgotten this just as woefully and completely as it has forgotten the principles which He taught.

In one or two future columns, I hope to discuss some of the revolutionary principles which might be applied to our diplomacy with Russia. This is a lot harder to write about than finding out what goes on in Cabinet meetings and I don't feel particularly well qualified to discuss it. Nevertheless, with the forebearance of editors, I am going to try.

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Epidemic of Flu Appears on Wane, Says Va. Official

Richmond, Va., Dec. 22 (AP).—Dr. I. C. Riggin, commissioner of the State health department, said today that the State epidemic of influenza, which is estimated to have run to more than 100,000 cases during the past two weeks, appears to be on the downward trend.

He said that, while the disease has been in a very mild form during this outbreak, it has manifested certain peculiar after-effects, none of which appear to result in permanent or serious troubles.

Dr. Riggin said that there has been no noticeable rise in the incidence of pneumonia, usually the most common and dangerous aftermath of an attack of influenza, and attributed this fact to the mild nature of the disease.

Flights to Be Resumed

Daily flights to Newark, N. J., discontinued in 1942 when that municipal airport was taken over for military use, will be resumed January 1 by Transcontinental & Western Air, Inc., Vice President E. C. Cooke announced yesterday.

LEONARD LYONS

Times Square Tattle

New York, Dec. 23.—Gen. Julius Ochs Adler of the N. Y. Times returned to the Pacific as a war correspondent in time to witness the surrender ceremonies aboard the Missouri. He was given a chair on the Gallery Deck. . . . A Soviet correspondent representing Pravda, who was wearing Russia's highest decoration—one which entitled him to salutes from the top Marshals—insisted that by virtue of his decoration he could sit wherever he wished, and he wished to sit at the Surrender Table. M. P.'s finally shooed him up to the Gallery Deck, where the only seat was the one occupied by Gen. Adler . . . The 6 ft. 220 lb. Russian sat down on Gen. Adler who settled the conflict between seeing the ceremonies and upsetting Soviet-American relations by pinching, as hard as he could, the big Russian sitting on him. The Russian jumped up, and drifted away.

Winston Churchill

When Winston Churchill arrives here next month — his planned visit was first revealed here last month—he'll spend most of his time in Florida . . . Princess Elizabeth will spend most of her American visit in Canada . . . Jonathan Daniels is coming to N. Y. next month to participate in the new Marshall Field-Norman Cousins publication venture, "Project X" . . . When Mrs. Maxwell Anderson was introduced to Thomas Mann, she said: "Do you mind, Dr. Mann, if I call you Tommy? I'd like to call you Tommy." Dr. Mann said he didn't mind. That set the precedent. The friends of the distinguished Nobel Prize winner now call him Tommy.

Just before Sir Cedric Hardwicke returned to America he lunched with George Bernard Shaw, who reported that he was busy writing a new play. "I'm sure this will be a fine play," Shaw insisted . . . "What makes you so sure?" Hardwick asked him . . . "Sophocles wrote a good play when he was 97," said Shaw. "Mine should be better, because I'm only 90."

Mrs. Hella Mandl-Strauss, first wife of Fritz Mandl, now is on the Riviera, eager to come to America. She escaped from the Gestapo by hiding for two years in a nunnery near Pau. . . . The name "A. B. Clifford" on a screenplay is a pseudonym for Clifford Odets. . . . Odets' screenplay for George Gershwin's "Rhapsody in Blue," which wasn't used, contained some biographic material which wasn't recognizable to some of Gershwin's friends. Oscar Levant read portions of it and recognized some of Odets' own experiences. "Clifford wrote the story of his life," said Levant, "but with song hits."

Gregory Ratoff became ill and decided to work at home. He called his office, but his secretary also was home sick. The studio sent a substitute secretary to his house, and Ratoff began dictating to her. As is his custom, he screamed, then spoke in whispers, uttered some words in Russian, reversed to English—all in deep accent. "Did you get it all down?" he finally asked the secretary, who assured him: "Absolutely. Every word of it." . . . "What makes you so sure?" asked Ratoff. "After all, I'm not easy to take dictation from." . . . "Don't worry, I have it all down," she told him. "I used to work for Spyros Skouras."

In the list of war correspondents who were cited last week and presented with the European theater ribbon, was a reporter who had covered the Guadalcanal campaign with Richard Tregaskis. This correspondent, working for one of the major news services, received a raise of $2.50 a week. When he went to cover the European campaign, it was for $58 a week. And he lost, permanently, the use of his right arm . . . Dr. Max Ascoli is organizing an Italian-American Council for the Rehabilitation of Italy . . . Thomas J. Hamilton, author of "Appeasement's Child," will issue an attack against Ambassador Carlton Hayes' book on Franco Spain.

Al Schacht, the baseball clown, is back from the Pacific after a short tour of Japan. In Tokyo he talked with a local newspaperman about the Jap propaganda program just before the war ended. "They told us that we were deliberately permitting the Americans to land more and more men in the Philippines," said the newspaperman. "They told us that when enough millions of Americans had landed there, then we'd step in—and surround them" . . . "When did you begin to feel that the war was lost?" Schacht asked him . . . "When 800 bombers flew over Yokohama," said the newspaperman, "and not one of our planes went up to challenge them."

Peggy Guggenheim, the surrealist, now features an earring room. On its walls, for display, are hung nothing but earrings. . . . Senator Pepper will write a series of magazine articles and then a book about his recent trip to Europe and Africa. . . . When Franz Werfel died he was buried in a new suit. In Werfel's "Star of the Unborn," which will be released soon, the late author gives his version of his return to the earth, complaining about the old suit and the old shoes with which he was buried—complaining also that he had difficulty in seeing because someone forgot to put his glasses in his pocket before the interment.

When General de Gaulle came to New York and found the Governor of New York standing beside him, he spoke to the Governor about Franklin D. Roosevelt, and of the tremendous loss to mankind when Roosevelt died. "I don't know who can replace him," said De Gaulle. "History will show, I believe, that he is irreplaceable. All France feels his loss. All France, in fact, was behind him in his presidential campaign, hoping and praying—for the sake of the world—that he would win. By the way, what was the name of the man who ran against him?" . . . "I had the honor to represent the Republican Party," said Governor Dewey . . . "Tiens, said the shocked De Gaulle. "That should hold me."

Show Time in the Downtown Theaters

STAGE

National—"The Joyous Season" at 8:30 p. m.

SCREEN

Capitol—"Blithe Spirit," at 11:15 a. m., 2, 4:40, 7:10 and 9:55 p. m. Stage shows at 1:15, 3:55, 6:30 and 9:10 p. m.

Earle—"Pardon My Past" at 11 a. m., 1:15, 3:15, 5:25, 7:35 and 9:45 p. m.

Metropolitan—"Too Young to Know," at 11:25 a. m., 1:30, 3:35, 5:40, 7:45 and 9:55 p. m.

RKO-Keith's—"Pinocchio" at 9:30 and 11:15 a. m., 1, 2:45, 4:35, 6:20, 8:05 and 9:50 p. m.

Palace—"Fallen Angel" at 12, 2:25, 4:50, 7:10 and 9:35 p. m.

Columbia—"Captain Kid," at 11:45 a. m., 1:45, 3:45, 5:45, 7:45, and 9:45 p. m.

Little—"Gaslight" at 11 a. m., 1:05, 3:10, 5:20, 7:30 and 9:40 p. m.

Pix — "Friendly Enemies," at 2, 4:30, 7:05 and 9:50 p. m. "Chicago Kid" at 3:35, 6:05 and 8:40 p. m.

Trans-Lux — Newsreels and shorts at 10:15 and 11:30 a. m., 12:45, 2, 3:15, 4:30, 5:45, 7, 8:15, 9:30, 10:45 p. m.

Ambassador—"Pardon My Past" at 1, 3:10, 5:20, 7:30 and 9:45 p. m.

Hippodrome—"Little Foxes," at 2:10, 6:10 and 10 p. m. "Citizen Kane," at 4:05 and 8:05 p. m.

Manassas School Can Accept More Nursing Students

Manassas, Va., Dec. 23.—Additional students can be accepted for enrollment in the practical nursing course at the Manassas State Vocational School, R. Worth Peters, director, has announced. Eight girls are now enrolled in the classes and several more can be accommodated. Student girls 17 years of age or older, in good health, who are interested are requested to contact Mr. Peters.

The course offered at the vocational school is the only one of its kind in the State connected with a medical college. Fifteen weeks of preliminary training are given and 39 weeks of practical institutional experience is then given at the Medical College of Virginia.

The medical college will issue nursing certificates after 26 weeks of additional experience. Students are required to pay board, and furnish uniforms and books. After entering the Medical College School they are paid $70 per month for the first three months, and that is increased gradually.

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Some Typical D. C. Comments On Jail and Recent Breaks

Washington residents whose views were recorded in The Post Poll were assured that their opinions and names would not be divulged. The citizens whose comments are quoted here specifically authorized The Post to publish their views.

Here are some typical comments of Washington residents who were asked how they felt about the recent District jail breaks.

Miss Burlingham

"The sieve-like quality of our jail is just another evidence of the lack of centralized government in the District," said **Miss Laura A. Burlingham**, of 2908 Rittenhouse rd. nw. "In a way these walkouts are a good thing. They are making the public take more notice of what's going on. Also it should make Congress wake up to the fact that more funds should be appropriated to the District's needs. I can't see that Howard Gill is to blame in this situation.

"Time and again he has recommended jail improvements and what happened to them? It's Congress and the Board of Public Welfare that should be on the carpet."

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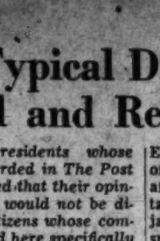
William B. Stiles, 50, lieutenant of the guards at Smithsonian Institution, of 5256 44th st. nw., told a Post poller:



Stiles

"I was always brought up to think that someone is always to blame when a thing is mismanaged. The present jail conditions will encourage other inmates to make a try for freedom. You cannot help but place the blame on the highest District government authority—the Commissioners. If we were allowed to pick our own city officials we could run them out of office when a job is fumbled." Lieutenant Stiles has been at Smithsonian since his discharge from the First Infantry Division in 1919.

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Mrs. Bella Guss, 104 19th st. se., who lives a block away from District Jail, expressed concern over the activities down the street. She commented:

Mrs. Guss

"I am afraid to walk home alone at night now that men are climbing over the jail walls ever so often. We have two children and we never think of leaving them with a sitter any more. I am sure lots of people in the jail neighborhood feel the same way. It's a serious threat to the safety of people living in Washington to have criminals walking the streets.

"I remember reading a story Eleanor Roosevelt wrote a number of years ago about the sad state of affairs in the jail. Congress certainly knows about our decrepit jail. Why don't they appropriate sufficient funds to keep our lawbreakers locked up?"

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Wilbur S. Finch, president of the Federation of Citizens Associations, said:

Finch

"The most discouraging aspect of the jail debacle is that you cannot put the finger of responsibility on anyone. The jail breaks are just another example of the lack of a centralized elective city government. It is difficult to single out any one person who is at fault because the Commissioners, Welfare Board and jail officials all have excuses and no real authority in jail administration. In the final analysis I guess Congress is to blame.

"The general condition of our city government is like a cancer. You operate on one diseased area and then a month later a rash—this time, the District jail administration—breaks out someplace else. The whole District government needs a major operation. Give us representation and grant strong powers to our city officials and we can put a stop to the jail scandal."

"Though I think District residents have a right to be alarmed over our recent jail breaks, the hacksaw saga has been a highly amusing daily serial. I never miss reading the newspaper accounts."

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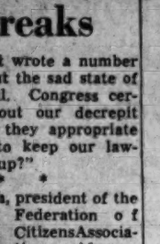
Mrs. Ella Westcott, 30, of 1829 M st., ne., told a Post interviewer:



Mrs. Westcott

"Without representation it is impossible to look for improvement in administration of a jail and other District buildings. It's one big vicious circle with too many straw bosses and no real head vested with proper authority."

Mrs. Westcott's husband recently returned from Okinawa. He formerly worked for Western Electric.

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Donatien W. Gagnon, 31, of 120 19th st. se., another next door neighbor of the jail, replied to The Post Poll question:

Gagnon

"I frankly am getting sick of reading accounts of our jail breaks. It is an old story to me. I don't see how Howard Gill, being the top man, can escape taking the rap for the disgraceful record of the institution. We see lots of guards and policemen around the neighborhood. It's surely not a question of a manpower shortage." Gagnon works in the Department of Justice and has lived here seven years.

DON WINSLOW

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TO CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS WITH OUR FRIENDS OF F.S.O.
AT CHICAGO AIRPORT
AM LEAVING IN PRIVATE PLANE ... ARRIVE AT THREE!
LOOK! THERE'S A PLANE LANDING!
ALL OUT FOR CHICAGO, MISTER WINSLOW!
THANKS, PILOT!
WELCOME TO CHICAGO, DON WINSLOW!
WELL ... WELL ...
IT'S MY FRIEND, CAL KING THE SECOND!

Welles Heads Palestine Unit In Maryland

Baltimore, Dec. 23 (AP).—Sumner Welles, former Undersecretary of State, has accepted the chairmanship for Maryland of the American Christian Palestine Committee, the committee announced today.

In a statement announcing his acceptance, Welles said he believed the question of the future of Palestine constituted one of the gravest problems with which the free peoples of the earth were confronted.

He declared: "I do not believe tha any peaceful or orderly world can be envisaged unless a humane and just solution of this problem is found.

"To many millions of people throughout the world an independent Jewish Commonwealth of Palestine represents a symbol of hope and of passionate conviction."

The former Undersecretary of State asserted that the United States Government officially was committed to the establishment of a Jewish national home in Palestine, and failure of the United States to assume its full share of responsibility for the realization of this idela could only dangerously increase existing international tensions.

Maryland members serving with Welles are: William J. Casey, Joseph P. Healy, Francis A. Davis, Dr. Lena C. Van Bibber, Dr. Gertrude C. Bussey, the Rev. Don Frank Fenn and Prof. William Foxwell Albright, all of Baltimore.

Norfolk Hotel Fire Injures Two Sailors

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 23 (AP).—A three-alarm fire swept the two top floors of the six-story Victoria Hotel today and resulted in the injury of two sailors.

Deputy Fire Chief W. R. McCullum said 16 persons who were registered as guests at the hotel were unaccounted for today, but expressed confidence that they got out of the building and secured other lodgings. He said heavy debris had prevented a search of four wrecked bedrooms, but he did not believe that any bodies would be found in those rooms.

One sailor suffered severe injuries when he leaped from a fifth floor window to an alley at the rear of the hotel. The other sailor was injured slightly on a fire escape.

McCullim said that when he reached the fifth floor he saw several sailors fighting the flames, and that he knew these men later got out of the building.

The top floor was completely destroyed and the rear portion of the fifth floor was badly damaged. A section of the roof crashed down the stair well to the second floor. All the lower floors were damaged by water.

Groups Launch Oyster-Control Plan on River

Richmond, Va., Dec. 23 (AP).—Formation of the Potomac River Oysterman's Association as the initial step in the program for a joint commission of Virginia and Maryland and complete revision of existing laws in the two States for control of the industry along the river, has begun with the organization at Colonial Beach and Hague of local associations.

Meetings of oyster interests all along the river are planned soon and work already has started on plans for revising Virginia's oyster industry laws.

The movement, started some time ago along th the river, came into State-wide notice with the announcement that it has the backing of Senator Robert O. Norris, jr., of Lively; Charles Unruh, member of the House of Delegates, and Charles E. Stuart of Stratford, a member of the State Fisheries Commission.

One of the principal objectives of the organization, it is understood, One of the principal objectives of the organization, it is understood, wil be the promotion of the Virginia - Maryland commission along the lines proposed recently by Gov. Herbert O'Conor of Maryland.

Such a commission would have power to impose regulations affecting the industry on the Potomac, working in close cooperation with the oystermen's association. experienced oystermen declare that such a system of control would eliminate much of the friction between the two States which, they say, results from conflicting regulations.

Berkeley Lodge K. of P. Elects New Officers

Berkeley Springs, W. Va., Dec. 23.—Bernard Ambrose was elected chancellor commander of Berkeley Lodge, Knights of Pythias, last night when the annual election of officers was held. Other officers named are Gilbert DeHaven, vice chancellor; Fred Fearnow, prelate; Lester C. Unger, master at arms; Harry C Lawyer, inner guard; O. B. Shockey, trustee; Cecil R. Ambrose, master of finance; S. S. Buzzerd, master of exchequer; Harry VanGosen, keeper of records and seal, and W. S. Barney, master of work.

C. of C. to Meet Jan. 1

Manassas, Va., Dec. 23.—The Prince William County Chamber of Commerce will postpone the weekly meeting from Christmas Day until the following Tuesday, New Year's Day. C. C. Cloe, president, will preside.

32 Convicts In Md. Freed As Yule Gift

Annapolis, Md., Dec. 23 (AP).—Thirty-two inmates of State penal institutions have had the balance of their sentences commuted by Governor O'Conor as a Christmas gift, the Maryland Chief Executive announced today.

O'Conor said of the 32 released, the expiration dates of the sentences ranged from December 26 to February 13, and the majority of them would have expired during the first three weeks in January.

Most of those whose sentences were commuted, he explained, were convicted of minor offenses such as disturbing the peace, assault and violation of motor vehicle laws.

The practice of granting commutations at Christmas time was initiated by Governor O'Conor the first Christmas after he became Governor in 1939.

Each year since then a group of convicted men have received commutations, and he reported that subsequent checkups indicated that only a small percentage again come in contact with the law.

Scores of Events Scheduled Today to Welcome Veterans

The following activities have been scheduled for today to help "Welcome the Boys Home":

Christmas party for resident servicemen, 7:30 p. m., Central Union Mission, 613 C st. nw.

Dinner, 12 noon to 9 p. m., Canteen, United Nations Service Center, 500 North Capitol st.

Christmas slides, carols, gifts, Lutheran Service Center, 736 Jackson pl. nw., 8 p. m.

Lucky Call Home

Snack Bar, 4 to 7 p. m.; lucky number telephone call home, 8 p. m.; party and presents, 8 to 10 p. m.; snack, 10 p. m., Masonic Service Center, 13th st. and New York ave. nw.

Christmas party, 10 to 12 p. m., Pepsi-Cola Canteen, 13th and G sts. nw.

Christmas party, 8 p. m., St. Martin's Canteen, 1912 North Capitol st.

Christmas favors, Christmas eve dinner, 6 to 12 p. m., Stage Door Canteen, Belasco Theater.

Open house, 8 to 11 p. m., Chinese - American servicemen's club, 1011 L st. nw.

Party for Orphans

Orphan children Christmas party with GIs as hosts, 8:30 p. m., USO, 8th and Market space, nw.

Sightseeing, 1:30 p. m., candlelight ceremony and Christmas party, 8:30 p. m., group to churches, 11 p. m., USO, 1736 G st. nw.

Holiday dance, 9 p. m., USO, 16th and Q sts. nw.

"Twas Night Before Christmas," 8 p. m., midnight breakfast, 1 a. m., USO, 1814 N st. nw.

Hanging of the green, 8 p. m., USO, 2011 Georgia ave. nw.

Buffet supper, 5:30 p. m., midnight breakfast, 1 a. m., USO, 1911 H st. nw.

Christmas vesper services and tea, 6 p. m., Christmas tree party and carol sing, 8:30 p. m., USO, 1816 12th st. nw.

Christmas eve party, 8:30 p. m., USO, 901 Rhode Island ave. nw.

Dinner for Carolers

Dinner for carolers, 5:30 p. m. (limited to reservations); church services, 11 p. m., USO, 17th and K sts. nw.

Open house, USO, 918 10th st. nw.

Christmas "At Home," 8 a. m.; midnight coffee hour, 1 a. m., USO, 7808 Georgetown rd., Bethesda, Md.

Tree-decorating party, corals, dancing, one-man band, 8:30 to 11:30 p. m.; Officers' Service Club, 1644 21st. st. nw.

Party, gifts, carols, Servicemen's Club No. 1, 306 9th st. nw.

Christmas tree party, 7 p. m., Hearthstone Club (Negro), 1703 11th st. nw.

Dance, Walsh Center, rear 1523 22d st. nw.

Cosmopolitan Sacred Orchestra of Washington, program of Christmas music from 1108 G st. nw., 8 to 10 p. m.

Santa Claus and His Pack from the Brookland Citizens' Association, will visit the Children's Country Home, 6 p. m., 18th and Bunker Hill rd.

Girl Scouts of Metropolitan Baptist Church, Christmas program, 3 p. m., Stoddard Baptist Home, 324 Bryant st. nw.

Christmas party, Episcopal Home for Children, Nebraska ave. and Rock Creek Ford rd. nw.

Party at Kansas Hall, Arlington Farms, for children 2 to 5 years old from St. Ann's Infant Asylum, 3 p. m.

Nursery School Party

Nursery school party, 3 p. m., Northwest Settlement House, 515 M st. nw.

Singing of Christmas carols, 10 to 11 p. m., Southeast Settlement House, 324 Virginia ave. se.

Carol singing, 6 p. m., child choir will sing to convalescent children, 8:30 p. m., Santa Claus gift delivery by Georgetown Preparatory School, 4 p. m., Christ Child Convalescent Farm, Rockville, Md.

Clarendon Methodist Church, N. 6th and Irving, Arlington, Va., 8 p. m., "The Messiah."

Cheverly Community Church, 2700 Cheverly ave., 8 p. m., Christmas Cantata.

Christ Episcopal Church, 620 G st. se., 11 p. m., Christmas Contata.

Ascension Episcopal Church, 12th and Massachusetts ave. nw., 11 p. m., carols and holy communion.

Grace Reformed Church, 15th and O sts. nw., 11 p. m., candlelight communion service.

Hamline Methodist Church, 16th and Allison sts. nw., 10:45 p. m., Christmas Eve service.

Columbia Heights Christian Church, 1435 Park rd. nw., 8 p. m., candlelight carol service.

Calvary Methodist Church, 1459 Columbia rd. nw., 11 p. m., candlelight carol service.

Takoma Park Lutheran

Takoma Park Lutheran Church, 7th and Dahlia sts. nw., 11 p. m., music and candlelight.

Christ Methodist Church, Lee Highway and Kentucky st., Arlington, Va., 11 p. m. service.

Ninth Street Christian Church, 9th and D sts. ne., 11:15 p. m., carol sing for everyone.

St. Thomas Episcopal Church, 18th and Church sts. nw., 11:30 p. m., choral eucharist.

Foundry Methodist Church, 16th and D sts. nw., 11 p. m., "The Messiah," guest soloist.

St. Timothy's Episcopal Chapel, 3601 Alabama ave. se., 11 p. m., Holy Communion.

Atonement Lutheran Church, N. Capitol and Rhode Island ave., 11 p. m., candlenight service.

St. John's Episcopal Church, Georgetown, 3240 O st. nw., 11 p. m., carols and communion.

Luther Place Memorial Church, Thomas Circle and 14th st. nw., 11 p. m., candlelight service.

All Sants' Episcopal Church, Chevy Chase Circle, 11 p. m., carols and midnight festival.

First Congregational Church, 10th and G sts. nw., 10:30 p. m., candlelight service.

Chevy Chase Presbyterian Church, 5838 Chevy Chase Parkway, 11 p. m., candlelight service.

St. Stephen's Lutheran Church, 1611 Brentwood rd. ne., 11:30 p. m., "Christmas in Song."

Chevy Chase Baptist Church, 5671 Western ave. nw., 11 p. m., candlelight service.

Washington Cathedral, Massachusetts and Wisconsin aves. nw., 11:15 p. m., Christmas music.

What's Going On And Where

Entertainment for Service Men and Women

Victory Canteen for Service Men and Women, 1113 Pennsylvania ave. nw., club opens 11 a. m.

Servicemen's Ticket Booth, E st. and Pennsylvania ave. nw., 4 to 8:30 p. m.

Army-Navy Masonic Servicemen's Center, 13th st. and New York ave. nw., 1 p. m.

Pepsi-Cola Canteen for Servicemen of the United Nations, Inc., checking, showers, lounge, all day.

USO, 1911 H st. nw., buffet supper, 5:30 p. m.; Santa Claus party, carol singing, breakfast following midnight church services.

USO, 801 Market space nw. (8th st. and Pennsylvania ave.), orphans' Christmas party, GIs as hosts, 8:30 p. m.

Stage Door Canteen, old Belasco Theater, Ritzie Lee, dancer, 7:30 to 7:45 p. m.; carol contest, 8 to 8:30; Tiny Meeker's music, 9 to 12.

USO, 1736 G st. nw., YMCA, sightseeing, 1:30 p. m.; square dancing, games, candlelight ceremony and Christmas party, 8:30 p. m.

USO, Jewish Community Center, 16th and Q sts. nw., holiday dance, 9 p. m.

USO, 1814 N st. nw., "'Twas the Night Before Christmas," 8 p. m.; breakfast, 1 a. m.

USO, 2011 Georgia ave. nw., hanging of the green, 8 p. m.

USO, 1816 12th st. nw., Christmas vesper service and tea, 6 p. m.; Christmas tree party, 8:30 p. m.

USO, 901 Rhode Island ave. nw., Christmas eve party, 8:30 p. m.

USO, 918 10th st. nw., open house, all day.

USO, 7808 Georgetown rd., Bethesda, Md., dance, 8 p. m.

Public Events

Corcoran Gallery of Art, Merchant Seamen's painting exhibit; Navy photos of combat in the Pacific; other exhibits; open noon to 4:30 p. m.

National Gallery of Art, 6th st. and Constitution ave. nw., general survey tours, 11 a. m. and 3 p. m.; open 10 a. m. to 5 p. m.

National Archives, exhibit of Japanese and German surrender documents, open 8:45 a. m. to 5:15 p. m.

Church Committee To Obtain New Rector

Manassas, Va., Dec. 23.—A committee has been appointed by the vestry of Trinity Episcopal Church, Manassas, to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of the Rev. Thomas G. Faulkner, jr., as rector. The Rev. Mr. Faulkner's resignation will become effective February 1. The committee is composed of the following members of the vestry: Hawes T. Davies, R. J. Ratcliffe, Paul J. Arrington, C. A. Sinclair, jr., and James E. Bradford.

Belgium to Get Link With Ruhr, French Report

By the United Press

Unofficial French sources here reported last night that Great Britain has consented, in direct negotiations with Belgium, to hand over the Cologne-Aachen (Aix-la-Chapelle) sector of the west bank of the Rhine to the Belgian army for policing.

The agreement reportedly took Washington and Paris by surprise, but informed circles here emphasized that such a decision is within the jurisdicton of the British government.

According to the French version, Belgian troops will replace British troops in occupation of the Aachen-Cologne corridor which provides Belgium with a vital railroad link with the Ruhr. It was added that this is not in conflict with French President De Gaulle's persistently advanced plan for permanent occupation of the Rhineland.

France has hoped, however, to widen her Rhineland occupation zone by the cession of a strip from the British zone. The French also have frequently suggested their desire to occupy Cologne, Coblentz, Mainz and Weisbaden. The French occupation headquarters are now at Baden Baden, which is isolated in the Black Forest and lacks the political significance of Cologne.

To Belgians, the Anglo-Belgian accord means that Belgian troops will be able to hold open the only corridor through which Belgium can continue to receive Ruhr coal and coke.

French sources here also confirmed that France has lifted the inter-Allied ban on the creation of German non-Nazi political parties within the French zone of occupation.

Mount Airy Firemen To Buy $10,000 Pump

Mount Airy, Md., Dec. 23 (AP).—The Mount Airy Volunteer Fire Department announced today that its equipment soon would be brought up to date by the purchase of a 750-gallon motor pumper at the cost of $10,000.

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Poliomyelitis Meeting Is Set For January 6

State advisers on women's activities of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis will meet for their first national conference at the Statler Hotel on January 9.

Foundation President Basil O'Connor yesterday said women leaders from all States would be here to report on care of more than 13,000 poliomyelitis victims in 1945, and to make plans for the 1946 March of Dimes campaign, from January 14 to 31.

Highlighting the meeting and closing the two-day session will be a national CBS broadcast from the White House. Mrs. Harry S. Truman, who will introduce the speakers, will entertain at a tea immediately following.

Scheduled to broadcast are Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, Cornelia Otis Skinner, actress and Elizabeth Taylor, Hollywood starlet.

Other arrangements for the conference are:

January 5, arrival of the delegates to be greeted by the National Foundation staff and D. C. officials.

January 6, luncheon to be addressed by Judge Fay L. Bentley, chairman of the D. C. chapter of the National Foundation, with a report by Dr. Don W. Gudakunst, Foundation medical director, on the organization's research program.

January 6, dinner at Hotel Carlton, to be addressed by Basil O'Connor.

Conference sessions at the Statler will hear Catherine Worthingham, director of technical education, in charge of the $1,267,600 physical therapy recruitment drive; Dr. Hart E. Van Riper, assistant medical director in charge of chapter medical care progams; and Miss Sally Lucas Jean, consultant in health education.

He's Lion Heavyweight

State College, Pa.—Heavyweight of the 1945 Penn State football squad is Howard Caskey of Pittsburgh. A hold-over at tackle, Caskey weighs 235 pounds.

Main Farm Crops in Virginia Show 2% Decline in Value

Richmond, Va., Dec. 23 (AP).—A 2 per cent decline in the value and acreage of principal crops harvested by Virginia farmers in 1945 was reported today through the Virginia Cooperative Crop Reporting Service.

The 2 per cent decline in total farm value of the main crops to 237 million dollars was attributed chiefly to a sharp drop in the value of the short 1945 fruit crops, especially applies and peaches.

The acreage in principal crops harvested this year totaled 3,874,000, compared with 3,945,000 the previous year, but was still almost 3 per cent above the 10-year average for the period 1934-43. The report was prepared by J. A. Ewing and Clifford Sims.

Corn Below Last Year

Corn, with an acreage of 1,233,000, 9 per cent below last year, 11 per cent below the average, and the smallest since 1868, had a record yield per acre of 33 bushels, which gave a total production of 40,359,000 bushels, 18 per cent above 1944 and 17 per cent above average. The value of the crop was estimated at $56,906,000, compared with $49,352,000 in 1944.

The 1945 oats production was 3,780,000 bushels with a value of $3,175,000.

Tobacco had an estimated value of $65,701,000, the highest in the 79 years of record. Tobacco continued its first place in value. The crop was harvested from 137,700 acres.

Largest Hay Crop

A record high tame hay acreage, combined with the highest yield per acre, resulted in 1,711,000 tons of hay, the largest ever harvested in the State and having a value of $41,064,000, also a record.

Virginia growers harvested the lowest sweet potato acreage since 1892, except for 1940 and 1942, and had the fourth lowest production in 15 years. Cotton acreage was the lowest since 1908, and Irish potato acreage the smallest since 1904. Peanut acreage and production were the lowest since 1938. Also on the short side were rye and barley

The 1945 apple crop was one of the shortest in the State's history, and the peach crop dwindled to the smallest in 11 years, with the exception of 1943.

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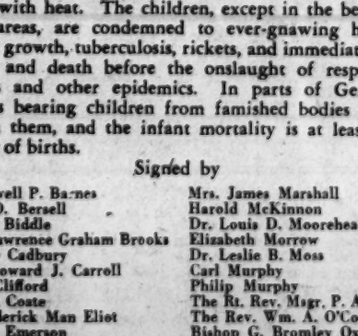

"Whosoever shall offend one of the least of these my little ones, it were better that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and he cast into the sea."

Tomorrow we celebrate with gifts and tinsel and luxurious meals the birthday of the Child who came into the world to found the earth on Peace and Love.

The weak and fallible, the strong and arrogant have scorned His commandments. And the earth has been drenched with blood.

Hatred and fear, grief and revenge, fury and despair corrode the souls of men, though the war is over.

And the children, whose Innocence is the symbol of Christ, are the victims.

THE CHILDREN OF EUROPE ARE CONDEMNED TO DIE—TO DIE IN MASSES IN THIS FIRST YEAR OF "PEACE."

Driven from their homes in eastern Europe, millions of children are wandering without food, clothing, or shelter. They forage in famished countrysides. Their dead bodies starved and frozen lie on the roads.

ALL CHILDREN ARE INNOCENT OF THIS WAR! AMERICA KNOWS NO ENEMY CHILDREN!

Millions of Europe's children live in heatless rooms, without windows, with leaking roofs, and sometimes open to the winter sky. Their food must also fuel their bodies with heat. The children, except in the best provided areas, are condemned to ever-gnawing hunger, stunted growth, tuberculosis, rickets, and immediate prostration and death before the onslaught of respiratory diseases and other epidemics. In parts of Germany, mothers bearing children from famished bodies cannot nourish them, and the infant mortality is at least fifty percent of births.

Signed by

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Good Veto

President Truman has shown both courage and commendable judgment in vetoing the bill rescinding 40 billion dollars in wartime appropriations to which a "rider" returning the United States Employment Service to the State governments had been attached. In passing this botched-up sort of legislation, Congress, as the President said, violated a fundamental principle of good government. It attempted to deprive him, moreover, of the basic right of vetoing specific measures of which he disapproves. That performance thoroughly merited the stiff rebuke that the President has administered.

Fortunately, the savings which the Congress sought to achieve will not be lost. President Truman has instructed the Budget Bureau to place the full amounts specified in the bill for saving in a nonexpendable reserve. In other words, the main purpose of the bill will be accomplished, and the crippling amendment which Congress sought to impose on the Employment Service at this crucial period of its postwar responsibility goes into the ash can. The veto thus serves not only the cause of orderly legislative procedure, it also saves from untimely disruption the agency that must find jobs for returning veterans and displaced warworkers.

When employment crises have arisen in this country in recent decades, we have moved to meet them on a national basis. We did this in World War I; we did it again in the depression of the 30's; we did it once more to overcome the difficulties of an acute manpower shortage during World War II. In the last two instances, we took this course despite the existence of State employment offices because we found that these were wholly inadequate to the occasions. The channeling of men to jobs, whether the scarcity is one of manpower or of employment opportunities, demands a Nation-wide organization with facilities in every section of the country.

We face an employment crisis today, although it is less serious than that which confronted us during the war. It comes as an inescapable aftermath of the war. Millions of men and women, released from the armed services and displaced from war production jobs, need help in getting back to work. Thousands of employers, seeking to return to peacetime production, need help in finding employes. Their problems take no cognizance of State boundary lines. And the fact is that State Employment Services, differing from one another in standards and efficiency, seriously complicate the problems by artificially segmenting them. For the emergency reconversion period at the very least, a Federal employment service seems absolutely necessary.

For these reasons we think the country will sustain the President in this veto. The "rider" to which the President objected flew directly into the face of his expressed wish that the employment system continue to function as a single unit under Federal direction during the reconversion period. Now that it has been disposed of in this effective fashion we hope that Congress will have the good judgment to leave the Employment Service alone, at least until the new job crisis has passed.

Opening The Gates

The President's order to speed admission under quota restrictions of European refugees affords an opportunity for us to show "our good faith in requesting other nations to open their doors for this purpose." Indeed, there is some doubt whether the restricted movement of displaced and homeless refugees contemplated by the President will be regarded by the rest of the world as a sufficiently generous gesture on our part. It is, however, the limit of what can be done under existing immigration laws setting quotas. To ask for more would simply incite some members of Congress to push pending measures to tighten up on existing restrictions.

It is a sad commentary on the state of American public opinion that President Truman should feel compelled to stress the limited numbers that will be admitted to the United States and to give assurance that not a single American soldier or members of his family will be delayed on their return home by transfer of these immigrant groups. The American taxpayer is also safeguarded against loss, since the usual legal precautions against entry of persons likely to become public charges will be strictly observed. Most of the entrants presumably will be orphaned children living in American occupation zones, who will be issued visas under quota restrictions according to countries of origin, without discrimination along racial or religious lines.

This is a makeshift arrangement that will make but a small dent in the mass of helpless humanity uprooted by war, existing precariously in desolate communities. But it is a step in the right direction; and we share the President's hope that his order will induce other nations to open their doors to war sufferers as soon as they are in a position to do so.

The First Session

According to one well-known political commentator, the first session of the Seventy-ninth Congress was distinguished by what it did not do rather than by the legislation enacted. In our opinion, this emphasis is misleading, because it tends to underrate the importance of positive legislative accomplishments which throw a revealing light upon the temper of Congress. Congress has, in fact, shown a surprising willingness to legislate on matters involving our relations with the rest of the world, while it has been extremely reluctant to deal with various domestic problems on which the President has urged it to act.

For example, the Senate promptly ratified the United Nations Charter, without attaching crippling reservations, and recently legislation was passed permitting the use of our armed forces to suppress aggression, without further action by Congress. The Bretton Woods agreements have also been implemented, the reciprocal trade agreements program has been extended, the lending authority of the Export-Import Bank has been broadened and the Government has been authorized to participate in the United Nations Food and Agricultural Organization. A Congress that has enacted legislation of this type during the past few months certainly cannot be accused of lack of industry or charged with unawareness of the responsible position occupied by the United States as a top-ranking world power.

This record of accomplishment in the field of legislation affecting our external relations is in sharp contrast with the limited achievements credited to the domestic field. Legislation to provide emergency relief for displaced warworkers, repeatedly urged by the President, is still tied up in the Ways and Means Committee. Full-employment bills passed after long delay by both House and Senate and now in conference are but pale reflections of the program desired by the President. Legislation to establish improved machinery for collective bargaining is likewise encountering opposition, although it should be noted that the President's recent request for authority to establish fact-finding boards came too late to be given proper consideration before adjournment.

Not only has Congress failed to respond to pressure to put through the Administration's domestic program, it has also been decidedly averse to extending, for more than a few months, the extraordinary powers vested in the Chief Executive during the war. For instance, the latest Price Control Act is due to expire at the end of June; so is the Second War Powers Act which Congress refused to extend beyond that date. We do not believe that Congress harbors hope of abolishing all price and priority controls at such an early date, but it undoubtedly wants to reconsider and revise control programs in the 1946 session when conversion will be more advanced.

A survey of what has been done and what has been left undone indicates that Congress has been strongly influenced by a desire to curb Government spending and a consequent unwillingness to pass laws that would enable the President to use the spending power freely in an endeavor to cope with domestic employment problems.

Congress has, to be sure, approved proposals affecting our foreign trade and foreign relations that commit the Government to large contingent outlays. But such outlays lie in the future, for the most part, and, with good luck, they will be in the nature of investments in world recovery yielding direct dividends. Even in so clear a case of essential spending as the appropriation of funds for UNRRA, to relieve the starving peoples of Europe, Congress took a long time about it. Postwar salary increases for Federal employes, another proposal that would make immediate inroads on Treasury funds, has likewise had hard sledding. Legislation lowering income taxes and repealing the excess profits tax affords additional indirect evidence that Congress is economy-minded. For, since Congress believes tax relief to be pressing, it undoubtedly is of the opinion that spending must be cut. Otherwise there would never be an end to deficit financing.

Of course, there is no single explanation for the legislative course that has been followed during the session just closed. But if we assume that Congress is motivated by a desire to put the country on a sounder financial basis, much that appears to be erratic in its conduct becomes capable of rational explanation.

Truce In China?

It should be axiomatic that before China can make any real progress in the direction of unity and national reconstruction it must be vouchsafed a prolonged period of peace. And first of all there must be an immediate cessation of fighting between the Government troops and the Chinese Communists. Such a truce Mao Tse-tung has now proposed. But the Chungking authorities are not yet altogether sure that Mao means what he says. Since he first made the proposal informally they want him to put it in writing and state clearly just what he has in mind.

A truce, if it is to accomplish its intended purpose, must be a real truce and not a sham. It must stem from a genuine desire to end the bloodletting and unite all forces behind the common purpose of making China strong and democratic. Whether Mao's suggestion belongs in that category remains to be seen. The Chungking government leaders are not to be overly blamed if they suspect that Mao is merely talking for effect in order to create a favorable impression on General Marshall upon his arrival in Chungking. We must further bear in mind the fact that Mao's truce plan calls not only for an immediate and unconditional armistice but also for the "freezing" of both sides in their present positions. Since the Nationalists are now moving into Manchuria, but have not yet succeeded in taking over that vast and immensely rich region, Mao's maneuver might mean only the postponement of the struggle for Manchuria until such time as the Chinese Communists are in a better position to make a fight for it.

Nonetheless, it would be a misfortune if Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek and his colleagues did not at least accept Mao's proposal as a starting point. They, too, have frequently gone on record as favoring a speedy ending of China's civil war. And that is what the Chinese people overwhelmingly want. Once fighting stopped, it would certainly be very much easier than it has been hitherto for both sides to sit down together and talk over the problem of how best to broaden the base of the government to make it truly democratic and to achieve that unity without which China's reconstruction will be indefinitely delayed. Sometimes there is such a thing as looking too closely into the mouth of a gift horse.

FEPC Stymied

The President's firm insistence that employment practices within Federal agencies be maintained on a thoroughly fair and nondiscriminatory basis is a proper and heartening one. So is his order instructing the FEPC to investigate employment practices in wholly reconverted industries as well as in continuing war industries. But, although this somewhat broadens the scope of the agency's authority, it does not give it the essential means with which to carry its important responsibilities into execution. The FEPC has left, for all its operations throughout the balance of the fiscal year, exactly $63,606. Only its facade remains. It has neither the personnel nor the power to make more than a gesture in the direction of eliminating discrimination from the country's economic life.

The members of the FEPC are well enough aware of this impotence themselves. After outlining the limited program they feel capable of undertaking, they candidly disclaimed in a statement issued last Monday that this could be considered "a substitute for effective, full-scale enforcement of the national policy against discrimination. After nearly five years of experience, the committee concludes that the cure for the long-standing evils of inequality in industrial opportunity lies solely within the hands of Congress." This is the long and the short of it. There is nothing much that the President can do about it—except to press vigorously for congressional action on the long-pending bill to establish a statutory Fair Employment Practice Commission. Only Congress can create an effective enforcement agency.

In Congress, the proposal to do this has been bottled up in committee by a combination of politics and pusillanimity. Southern Democrats have kept the measure from going to the floor for a vote; Republicans, although piously applauding the FEPC principle, have conspicuously refrained from signing the discharge petition necessary to dislodge it. Just a short time ago, a Republican caucus came forth with the following splendid statement: "We believe that equality of opportunity should be available to all, regardless of race, creed, or beginning. Every individual should be afforded an opportunity to prosper according to his talents, his ability and his diligence subject only to a like right for his neighbor."

Republican Congressman Charles M. LaFollette commented on this declaration with characteristic forthrightness. Observing that he usually differed from his party's leadership "not in words, but in interpretation of their meaning and in the choice of means to implement the words used," he said: "I believe that the pending legislation for a permanent FEPC in its present form is not only a proper but a necessary means for implementing the policy laid down above. The necessary signatures to the discharge petition to give the House a chance to pass on this legislation now can be obtained only from Republican members, since a saturation point has practically been reached in Northern Democratic members. I think the Republican Party should furnish these signatures from its members so as to bring the legislation to the floor; and that, furthermore, it should furnish, from its membership, the majority of the votes necessary for the passage of that legislation."

The logic of this is simply unanswerable. The Republicans have the means to put into effect what they have long espoused. They cannot escape responsibility if they fail to do so. The need for genuine enforcement of fair employment practices is urgent now during the reconversion period. The situation presents the Republican members of the House with an opportunity and an obligation.

SHARPEN THE MIND

Sharpen the mind like a blade of steel;
If you must cut—cut clean.
See that the blade is quick and bright
And the edge keen.

Wounds from the sharpened knife are deep
But easier far to heal
Than ragged, festering wounds that come
From jagged steel.

Use the knife in a steady hand—
Cut away what must go—
Then let the deep wound heal itself
In the blood's hot flow.

HELEN HOWLAND PROMMEL.

Posting The Books

By J. M. Lalley

'The Great Too-Much'

THE CHRISTMAS BOOK OF LEGENDS AND STORIES, edited by Elva Sophronia Smith and Alice Isabel Hazeltine. (Lothrop, Lee & Shepard, $2.50.)

THE FIRESIDE BOOK OF CHRISTMAS STORIES, edited by Edward Wagenknecht. (Bobbs, Merrill, $3.50.)

CHRISTMAS VERSE, selected from the Oxford Books of Verse. (Oxford University Press.)

I cannot suppose that these books come anywhere near to exhausting the wealth of Christmas literature that has accumulated in the course of two thousand years, but among the three of them they include the greater part of all that is most familiar and cherished among us today. What surprises me is to find so little duplication in them. The Smith-Hazeltine anthology was first published about thirty years ago, but in this new edition it has been considerably amplified; it is I think the most catholic and the most interesting of the three collections; its contents have been chosen out of many lands and many languages, and among them is a carol from one of the Iroquoian dialects, written, as it seems, by the famous Jesuit martyr Brebeuf and rendered into much too sophisticated English verse by J. E. Middleton.

But where the Misses Smith and Hazeltine have held throughout to a strictly religious conception of Christmas, Mr. Wagenknecht has attempted a judicious balance of the religious, the sentimental and the convivial. His taste inclines to the conventional: thus we have *The Bird's Christmas Carol* of the late Kate Douglas Wiggin, *The Other Wise Man* of the late Dr. Henry Van Dyke, Addison's account in the Spectator of an Eighteenth Century English Christmas, the Christmas papers from *Bracebridge Hall*, and, inescapably, all the business at Dingly Dell and in the Cratchit household. The rest of the book is comprised of pieces of Christmas number magazine fiction by various lesser English and American authors. Christmas is the one season at which Americans prefer custom to novelty, and I dare say that Mr. Wagenknecht's collection will not suffer in popularity for being somewhat old hat, as the word goes. We should, I suppose, be grateful for the omission of little Virginia's letter to *The New York Sun* and Mr. Church's learned and sententious answer to it. Perhaps Mr. Wagenknecht was also well advised to leave out O. Henry's story *The Gifts of the Magi*, for the rather artificial irony of it might have been somewhat out of harmony with the sentimental tone of the collection, but it strikes me as a pity that he overlooked Elizabeth Maddox Roberts' story, *Holy Morning*, which falls into a kind of strange middle-ground between fiction and poetry, and is of interest because it strives to evoke the religious emotion of Christmas in purely American terms.

The Oxford Book of Christmas Verse is a very small one, bound in paper, and not, I think, intended for general distribution or sale; it contains sixteen hymns or poems about Christmas, one of them in Medieval Latin, another in French, another in Portuguese, another in German, and the rest in English of various periods. It is engaging principally as an exercise in typography, for each poems has been set in a face appropriate to the time and place of its origin, and the three poems that antedate the art of printing are reproduced in a simulation of various styles of calligraphy.

I must confess that to read through three such books at a single sitting is a rather painful and difficult business, requiring some effort of the will. There are various ways, besides the way of wassail, to have too much of Christmas, and reading about it, I think, is one of them. I am sometimes half-sympathetic to Mr. Scrooge's preconversion point of view, or rather I might be sympathetic if I did not recognize that Scrooge is a congenital sentimentalist who, as Chesterton observed, has been secretly giving away turkeys all his life. At any rate I am convinced that Christmas is a subject that all but the most gifted and most inspired writers of fiction or poetry would do better to let alone. There are indeed many beautiful and tender Christmas legends, but virtually all of them are in the first instance, creations of the folk imagination and not of particular artists, and probably the best that a professional writer can hope to do is to paraphrase some legend long extant in some part of the world and to make it familiar to another people, as Katherine Gibson, for example, has done with *The Juggler of Our Lady*. Of the twelve poems in English in this Oxford collection only one, the anonymous fifteenth century carol beginning

I sing of a maiden
That is mak-eles;
King of all kings
To her sonesche ches

is from *The Oxford Book of English Verse*. That famous anthology also contains *The Burning Babe* of Robert Southwell, which for some curious reason has not been admitted to any of these collections, and Milton's *Hymn on the Morning of Christ's Nativity*, from which there is a short excerpt in Mr. Wagenknecht's book and another is the Smith-Hazeltine book. But generally speaking, poetry about Christmas, though some of it, like Fiona MacLeod's and Dennis McCarthy's and Katherine Tynan's, is admirable, is at best minor poetry. There are, I think, several reasons why this should be so; one of them is that the mood of Christmas, being one of simple gladness, cannot be sustained for many stanzas; neither Milton nor Mr. T. S. Eliot, I think, quite succeeded at it, though both were helped considerably by their natural and Puritanical solemnity. It is one of the great paradoxes of literature and of human nature that the reader is sooner surfeited with joy than with terror. Thus it seems to me that an artistically successful Christmas poem or tale must be above everything else brief. All art, to repeat a platitude, depends upon contrast; this is recognized in luturgy which gives us the glow of Christmas at the time of year when shadows are deepest, and gives it to us, moreover, only after a season of somberness and fasting. Artistic contrasts of action and emotion occur, of course, in the greatest Christmas story of them all, which is to say the one that is pieced together from the Gospels of St. Luke and St. Matthew, wherein the miracle of the manger follows the rebuff at the inn, and the miracle of the Magi is followed by the fearful edict of Herod.

Washington Calling

By Marquis Childs

Soldiers Stranded For Christmas

ONE OF THE less happy aspects of our first peacetime Christmas, with all of the boom-spending that has been going on, is the fact that the veteran has too often been penalized.

The fantastic travel rush, which is putting a greater passenger burden on the railroads than at any time during the war, has left thousands of incoming veterans stranded on the West Coast. The Army said recently that more than 80,000 men in from the Pacific would have to spend Christmas in West Coast ports.

The Office of Defense Transportation made a gesture or two in the direction of improving the situation. But they were merely gestures, and it is not likely they will make very much difference.

It's not hard to imagine how you would feel if you had spent long, weary months in the Pacific and then on your return found yourself stranded in Los Angeles or San Francisco unable to get on a train for home. You would probably think some pretty harsh things about civilians.

THE FACT IS, of course, that under pressure from Congress and public opinion the Army has speeded up demobilization to an extent that would have been considered impossible six months ago. With men returning to civilian life at the rate of a million a month, the facilities simply are not available.

It would seem, however, that we could do a better job than we are doing. OPA Administrator Chester Bowles is considering a plan whereby a veteran's discharge papers would give him priority to buy scarce clothing.

That's a step in the right direction. Those of us who've been able to buy throughout the war should give returning veterans first chance. The clothing shortage makes this imperative.

Why shouldn't a similar plan be worked out for available travel facilities? Seventy per cent of all reservations on westbound airlines now go to returning veterans. Perhaps some priority system could be worked out for the railroads. It's at least worth thinking about for the next six months, when the jam will continue and perhaps grow even worse.

More instead of less consideration is also due the men still in the service. Someone has sent me an article from the Pacific edition of *Stars and Stripes* telling how red tape—brand new red tape—is snarling up emergency furloughs.

DURING THE WAR, when a man's wife or his parents were seriously ill or when some other crisis required an emergency furlough, the request was checked by the Red Cross back home and on verification of the emergency the man's commander in the field could grant the leave. Now apparently because some swivel-chair officers have nothing else to do, the request must be referred back to the Adjutant General's Office in Washington.

This means a delay of from two to six weeks. Emergency furlough radio messages are sidetracked. Men in the Navy and Marine Corps on emergency leave must come home by water. Red Cross officers in the field say this new application of red tape has practically eliminated the furloughs as emergency aids.

Red tape or something has got in the way of mail and the matter of changed addresses. We know this in our family through having a son "somewhere in the Pacific." It is worse than it was during the war.

This may be an outgrowth of the speed of demobilization. Perhaps the personnel is not available. Yet we all know of men who wait in idleness weeks and even months for an assignment.

When the services are trying hard to keep men in uniform and attract new recruits, this is short-sighted. Our men in the Pacific and in Europe should be made to feel that they are sharing in a responsibility vital to America's welfare. Instead they sometimes get the idea that they are being deliberately exiled.

Their job is almost as important as it was during the war and they should be made to feel its importance.

Letters To The Editor

Communications must carry writer's name and address, though pen names are permitted at the editor's discretion. Letters should be held to not more than 200 words. They are subject to condensation.

Correction

Editor's Note: In yesterday's editorial on the trial of Captain McVay, USN, it was inadvertently stated that the Japanese submarine commander had sighted the cruiser Indianapolis at a distance of "300 meters or about 10,000 yards." This of course should have read "10,000 meters or about 10,000 yards," the yard and the meter being roughly equivalent. We regret the error.

Rees Bill

It is reported that President will veto the Rees bill if it is passed—the bill to exempt the first $1400 of Civil Service pensions from income tax.

In this day of rising prices, of labor union strikes for more pay, and of higher pay for Government employes, Government pensioners are in desperate straits.

Every Goverment employe who has nothing but a comfortless and pinched old age to look forward to, with a niggardly pension diminished by heavy income taxes has nothing more important to him than the Rees bill. Every Government employe should vote against Truman in 1948 if he vetoes this bill, and he cannot afford to lose one million votes.

PENSIONER OF 1960.
Washington, Dec. 18.

It is an inspiring sight on these cold winter mornings to see people standing in line, some of them, I am told, from 5:30 a. m. on, to buy tickets to the chamber music concerts in the Library of Congress. And some people say we are not, as a nation, lovers of classical music. But from another point of view it is also a disheartening sight. Surely it does not seem to be a very civilized thing to make people get up in the cold and stand in line for three hours, in order to attend a concert, some of them no doubt to be turned away at the end. What, does the supply so completely exceed the demand, in this case? Why are there not 5, 10, 20 times as many concerts held? Why is there not one every night? Why does Washington not have 2, 4, 8, 16 theaters, until everybody can get seats? What is there about Washington that is different from New York, London, Paris, Rome. CONCERT-GOER.
Washington, Dec. 21.

'Mayerling'

Your "Mayerling" editorial on December 15 was quite fascinating. Every once in a while the Mayerling legend crops up with a new fancy tale.

That man who died in Copenhagen in the first week of December, 1945, and claiming to be Archduke Johann-Salvator, known as John Orth, can only be another one of the numerous persons who impersonated the Archduke. History is full of such impersonators.

Archduke Johann never was at Mayerling before or after the tragedy. As a matter of fact, he hardly ever saw Kr. Rudolf.

Johann-Salvator, who became known as John Orth, after the name of his castle near Lake Gmunden in Ober Danau, Austria, had married Millie Stubel, a Vienna actress. They left Austria together for England about six months after the Mayerling tragedy, and from England they sailed for Argentina. Her sister, Marie Stubel, published her memoirs in the Vienna *Die Stunde* in 1923. From her accounts Johann Salvator and his wife perished at sea in July, 1890.

Archduke Johann had purchased a vessel in England and named her Santa Margareta. On March 26, 1890, he sailed on that vessel as his own captain and managed to make Buenos Aires in May. He left Argentina about the end of June, 1890, bound for Valparaiso around Cape Horn. His vessel was last reported off Tres Puntas on the Argentine south coast, on July 12, 1890. From that day on all traces of Johann-Salvator and his Santa Margareta vanished off the face of the earth. No doubt the vessel was unable to face the ragging storms so prevalent in that part of the South Atlantic.

So the story about that pseudo Johann-Salvator, as reported by the Copenhagen correspondent of the *New York Times* in their issue of December 7, 1945, is a story interesting only in so far as it is full of fancy tales.

WILDON LLOYD.
Washington, Dec. 20.

Late Pay

I read with sympathetic interest the letter of Elizabeth Rounds on December 14. For what cold comfort Miss Rounds and her colleagues may derive from it, I assure her that teachers are not alone in their late-pay predicament.

My Navy allotment, upon which I must depend entirely for the support of myself and my two children, is due the first of each month. At no time in the past year have I received it before the 6th and at times it has been later. An inquiry addressed to the Navy recently, after I had received a notice that from now on there would be a five-day delay in mailing allotment checks, brought a reply from that Department to the effect that it was impossible to get the checks out on time.

I am sure that I am not the only Navy wife who has difficulty in meeting first-of-the-month obligations because the Navy finds it inconvenient to meet its own. Furthermore I understand that the Army subjects the recipients of allotments to no such delay, and certainly in the past year the Navy could not claim to have been the victim of a manpower shortage.

W. G. G.
Alexandria, Va., Dec. 14.

Shouts And Murmurs

By Mark Sullivan

Wages Vs. Savings

IN THESE closing days of the year there is a clamor and there is a silence. Both have to do with money, and the two are as closely related to each other as the two sides of a coin. Those who see the coin as wages make the clamor. Those who see the coin as savings, and as what savings mean for them, do not raise their voices, and a few voices are raised in their behalf.

The drive for higher wages is immense, dynamic and highly organized. It dominates the headlines; it is the most conspicuous economic phenomenon of the day. It enlists the voices of the millions of members of labor organizations, or of the labor leaders who speak for them. It has a press. The official labor press, issued by national and local unions and effectively put into the hands of members, has become larger in numbers and circulation than is commonly realized. One labor organization has a political arm, the CIO Political Action Committee, which in the growing area in which it functions is perhaps more thoroughly organized and more effective in action than the local organizations of the two great political parties.

With the drive for higher wages, the Administration in control of the Government aligns itself, frankly and officially. President Truman, Cabinet Member Henry A. Wallace and other officials, proclaim increased wages as a national policy. They put agencies of Government at the service of the demand.

TRUE, the Administration has a corollary policy. While encouraging wage increases, it says they are not to result in price increases. The Administration has a theory that both these objectives can be accomplished. But the average man is apt to feel that an ancient truism is likely to repeat itself. A piece of goods made with labor at $1.30 an hour will cost more than the same thing made with labor at $1 an hour.

This brings us to the silence. The silence is from and about those who have savings. They see likelihood that their savings, when they wish to use them, will buy less goods for them. They have already suffered this detriment, through the increase in prices and cost of living that has already taken place, which is estimated by the Government to have been over 30 per cent during the past four years. A dollar that was saved in 1941 will buy today very much less than it would have bought when the saver hopefully saved it. The drop in purchasing power of the saver's dollar is concrete and vivid; it comes to every person who buys in a shop. And he finds that in fact the drop is greater than the official estimate It is not infrequent to find that what could have been bought for a dollar in 1941 costs now $2.

If now the price of goods goes still higher, whether because of increases of wages or from any causes, savers will experience serious detriment.

Yet on behalf of the saver is no drive and no organization, hardly even an isolated voice. In the official Washington conferences to deal with wage demands, the saver has no one to fight for his interests in the way the labor representatives fight for higher wages. The saver is the silent man and the forgotten man.

ONE REFLECTS upon the voice the savers would have if they were organized and focused with even half of the thoroughness of labor and management. Their members, in overlapping groups, include almost the whole of the people. One group consists of those who have funds in savings banks. Another consists of those who have life insurance policies or are beneficiaries of them, totaling about half the population. Might not the life insurance companies make themselves heard in behalf of the savers for whom they are trustees, more than they do? There are yet other groups. Veterans have the same interest in preserving purchasing power that savers have. For the pensions and other benefits for veterans are commonly in fixed amounts of money. The amounts are generous, but the full effectiveness of them depends upon whether they will buy, some years hence, as much goods as when the amounts were fixed. In the same position as veterans are other beneficiaries of pensions, including social security.

Dominican Sanctuary

Last November the Dominican government reiterated its offer of sanctuary for all persons endangered by racial, religious and political persecution. The announcement was made in the United States by Dominican Ambassador Emilio Garcia Godoy.

In line with this humanitarian offer, President Trujillo has issued a decree creating the Dominican Committee for Jewish Immigration, which will be in charge of organizing Jewish immigration to the country. Members of the committee are: Senator H. H. Lopez Penha, chairman; Drs Jose Almoina, Hernan Cruz Ayala, Jesus Maria Troncoso, Ambrosio Alvarez, members; Juan Arce Medina, secretary; Pilaio B. Pina Chevalier, committee delegate in the United States of America.

EMILIO GARCIA GODOY,
Dominican Ambassador.
Washington, Dec. 18.

Record Of Congress

By Ernest Lindley

Part Of Truman's Program Ignored

THE RECORD of Congress up to its holiday recess does not add up to much of a Christmas present for the President. In framing his New Year's resolutions, Mr. Truman may well ponder whether good behavior—at least what Congress regards as good behavior on the part of a Chief Executive—pays.

Lindley

His stocking, it is true, is not empty. It contains such valuables as approval of the United Nations Charter and of the Bretton Woods agreement, and sundry lesser prizes. The most important of these, however, were, so to speak, arranged by his predecessor. Ratification of the UNO Charter had been all but guaranteed by the spadework of Roosevelt, Hull, and others. Similarly, the way had been paved for bipartisan support of Bretton Woods.

But Congress has not given much heed to Mr. Truman's own pleas. He wanted certain war powers extended for a year; Congress granted six months. His "full employment" bill has been delayed and emasculated. His request that the U. S. Employment Service offices remain under Federal control until the middle of 1947 was rejected. Action on domestic controls for atomic energy, his fact-finding plan for labor disputes—for both of which he urged prompt approval—have been postponed. Other items in his program have been rejected, ignored, or gutted. And Congress has taken no steps toward framing a military policy, even for an interim period.

THE RECORD can be summed up in a different way, however. On international policies, Mr. Truman has had, on the whole, the support of Congress. On domestic economic and social policies he has had to buck the same coalition of Republican and Democratic conservatives which so often blocked Roosevelt. Throughout the war there were unmistakable signs that its close would bring the revival, in all their bitterness, of the struggles over economic and social policies of his second term. After the surrender of Japan, Congress might have heeded Roosevelt no more than it has heeded Truman. But certainly Truman's methods and his cordial personal relations with leaders on the Hill have yielded few concrete rewards. Members of his own party growl as much when he slaps them on the wrist as they did when Roosevelt clubbed them over the head. The fact that they don't dislike Truman personally doesn't change their votes.

What has been most surprising to some of the President's friends is the limp response he has had when, as in his proposal for fact-finding in labor disputes, he has tried to go down the middle-of-the-road, at the risk of alienating his labor support.

THE PRESIDENT cannot be accused of lacking in courage or forthrightness. Almost invariably he makes his stand clear and supports it with well-organized arguments. When he has recognized that he has made mistakes—or that they have been made for him—he has not hesitated to modify or even to reverse his position.

On the whole, Truman has made a record and a platform which will stand up. What he has not done is to exploit them vigorously by direct appeals to the public. With respect to many problems, it is not the opposition of Congress but its timidity and bewilderment that need to be overcome.

The President's friends hope that the legislators will return from the Christmas recess with a surer sense of direction. But they hope also that he makes use of the recess to carry his case—or the more important parts of it—directly to the people, so that they may help the legislators to make up their minds.

Off the Record

By Ed Reed

"Junior hasn't been lost a time since I got these walkie talkies!"

Atom Bomb Secrets Intact As Ministers Discuss Policy

Moscow, Dec. 23 (AP).—The Big Three foreign ministers have considered the American-British-Canadian policy on world control of atomic energy but informed quarters said today that no secrets had been given away.

Generallisimo Stalin received United States Secretary of State J. Byrnes, Ambassador W. Averell Harriman and Charles E. Bohlen, chief of the Russian section of the State Department, at the Kremlin today, an American Embassy spokesman announced. (The Moscow radio said Soviet Foreign Commissar V. M. Molotov also attended the meeting).

The extent of the progress made toward reaching a disposition of the atomic question was not disclosed. This question constitutes one of the major items on the agenda of Byrnes, Molotov and British Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin.

During the discussions Byrnes and Bevin were said to have adhered to the statement issued in Washington November 15 by President Truman and Prime Ministers Attlee and W. L. Mackenzie King which declared control of destructive atomic power should be handed over to a United Nations commission and that production secrets would be kept until effective safeguards are devised.

Much More Friendly

As the three foreign ministers moved into their eighth day of discussions, informants said the progress of the conference remained uninterrupted. One source observed that the current meetings were much more friendly in tone than the five-power foreign ministrs conference in London which ended in a deadlock last October.

Byrnes, Bevin and Molotov met today in the Soveit foreign commissar's office in the Kremlin and were luncheon guests of Ambassador Harriman at Spasso House.

Ferguson Urges a Paid Counsel For Pearl Harbor Investigation

By Frederic Tuttle

International News Service Staff Writer

Senator Ferguson (R., Mich), called upon the Pearl Harbor Investigating Committee yesterday to hire a full-time counsel to replace its resigned legal staff, which served without pay.

Ferguson, a committee member, stated his position as the joint congressional group shopped around during its Christmas recess for attorneys to step into the shoes of Chief Counsel William D. Mitchell and his associates.

Meanwhile, Mitchell, his chief assistant, Gerhard Gesell, and their staff disclosed that they would stay on the job during the examination of Admiral Harold R. Stark, 1941 Chief of Naval Operations.

Won't Question Kimmel and Short

The admiral is scheduled to be the first witness when the committee resumes hearings December 31, and he probably will be followed by Rear Admiral Husband E. Kimmel and Lieut. Gen. Walter C. Short, Navy and Army commanders in Hawaii when the Japanese struck on December 7, 1941.

However, Mitchell, who served as Attorney General in President Hoover's Cabinet, has made it clear that he would be unable to undertake the questioning of Kimmel and Short.

Ferguson, pressing for a salaried legal staff, disclosed that "about half" of the original $25,000 appropriation for the investigation still was unspent. The midwesterner declared:

"We ought to have a counsel and a legal staff on full pay who will stay with the job until it is done. I think the Government can afford to pay those who serve it, and I think we ought to compensate our legal staff for doing a job which is really tought."

Barkley's Return Awaited

Selection of the new counsel awaits the return of Chairman Barkley (D., Ky.), from his Paducah home, where the Senate majority leader has gone to attend the funeral of his mother.

Ferguson said he was hopeful that the committee could finish its hearings by the February 15 deadline sta by Congress in granting an extension for the inquiry.

The Senatod stated that he thought it would take a full month to write the report to Congress on the Pearl Harbor disaster after the last testimony.

Former Wac Gets Post at Clinic At Charlottesville

Charlottesville, Va., Dec. 23.—The Veterans' Rehabilitation Clinic, which operates at the Red Cross Building to assist returning service men, has announced that Miss Helen Neve, a discharged Wac, has been placed in charge of social relationships.

Miss Never was the head of the furlough section of Wright Field in Dayton, Ohio. Since her release, she has been attached to the home service department of the local Red Cross.

A 1937 graduate of Sweet Briar, she attended William and Mary extension school of social work in Richmond, and worked with the Albemarle County welfare office before entering the service. She is a daughter of Archdeacon Frederick W. Neve of Ivy, founded of the chain of missions extending along the Blue Ridge in the heart of Virginia, and now operated by the Diocece of Virginia, Episcopal Church.

Ex-Rabbi of Germany To Address Meeting

Rabbi Leo Baeck, former president of B'nai B'rith in Germany, will speak at a joint meeting of B'nai B'rith and the Brandies Zionist District, at the Jewish Community Center, 16th and Q sts. nw., Wednesday, at 8 p. m.

Rabbi Baeck, who was once president of the Union of German Babbis, last visited this country in 1930, when he addressed the triennial national convention of B'nai B'rith.

Auto Kills Man, 73, Walking on Highway

Stephens City, Va., Dec. 22 (AP).—W. H. Gordon, of Stephens City, was killed today when hit by an automobile while walking on route 11 two-and-one-half miles south of here, according to State highway police. He was 73 years of age.

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UNO Finishes Preliminaries For Assembly

London, Dec. 23 (U.P.).—The UNO Preparatory Commission adjourned today after completing four weeks' groundwork for the full Assembly meeting January 10, which will officially inaugurate the United Nations' crusade for world peace.

The commission opened its final meeting at midmorning and spent most of the day in listening to closing speeches and granting final approval to four committee reports.

Russia Challenged

One of the last talks was a British chalenge to Rusia to apply the same principles of free speech and self expression at home which the Soviets had championed so strongly before the commission for dependent areas.

The challenging statement by British Delegate C. K. Webster came as close to one nation directly challenging another as diplomats ever come i ninternational conferences of this sort. Webster's speech was greeted with a round of applause, including that of small nations, which is unusual in such meetings.

Webster did not mention the Soviet Union by name, but the direction of his remarks was unmistakable.

He said that the British delegation was "exceedingly interested" in the attitude taken by "certain States" at the UNO preparatory commission on the question of free speech, a free press and self expression in trusteeship areas.

Referred to Amendment

He was referring to a Soviet-supported amendment which makes it possible for the trusteeship council to conduct elections of spokesmen and hold referendums in trusteeship areas to determine the wishes of the people. The colonial powers unsuccessfully opposed the plan.

Soviet Delegate Andrei A. Gromyko sat impassively during Webster's speech and did not participate in the applause.

Woodmoor Santa Greets Children At Tree Ceremony

More than 100 children were feted by Santa Claus last night at the Christmas Tree Lighting ceremony at Woodmoor and Lexington drives, Woodmoor, Md.

Sponsored by the Woodmoor Citizens Association, the ceremony was highlighted by carols sung by the Junior Choir of Marvin Memorial Church, Four Corners, Md. The Rev. Marion S. Michael, pastor, conducted the invocation and benediction. Two Woodmoor residents, Mrs. Floyd Carver and Harry Crow, sang solos.

The huge tree will remain lighted throughout the holiday, Joseph Dondero, president, announced. The association will also hold a Christmas dance Saturday night at the newly erected Community house on St. Lawrence dr.

Cullimore Is Chosen As Airport Engineer

Annapolis, Md., Dec. 23 (AP).—W. H. Cullimore of Baltimore has been appointed airport engineer for the State Aviation Commission by Governor O'Conor.

Cullimore has been an officer of the U. S. Engineers Corps for three years, two of which were spent overseas. He also at one time served as associate engineer of Baltimore and was supervisor of construction of airdromes in England.

His new duties will be to make detailed studies looking toward the development of an airport system for the State.

Legion Post Will Add Members in Glen Echo

The newly organized Frank P. Stone Post of the American Legion will take in additional charter members at a meeting Wednesday at 8 p. m. in the Glen Echo, Md., firehouse. The post has been formed to cover the following communities: Brookmont, Cabin John, Bannockburn Heights, Wood Acres, Glen Echo Heights, Fairway Hills and Glen Echo.

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This Morning

—With Shirley Povich

Florida's Governor Coldwell has told the president of the State University to fire the football coach and, furthermore, that he wants winning football at Florida U. henceforth. If it's a question of money to hire a big-name coach or to make the university more attractive to good football players, well, the Governor indicates, it will be forthcoming.

POVICH

Not since the late Huey Long decided he wanted "winning football" at Louisiana State has any politico been quite so blunt about it as Governor Caldwell. It remains to be seen whether Florida's Governor has the same success as Senator Long, who boosted L. S. U. into big-time football and finally into the Sugar Bowl.

Huey Long was a graduate of Tulane, the hated intracity rival of the Louisiana State teams, but after he became Governor he adopted L. S. U. as his pet project, and set out to put Tulane in the shade of the State University. He created for L. S. U. both medical and law schools, set up a school of music by buying 32 Baby Grand pianos and importing a professor of music from Vienna, and then turned his thoughts to football.

Nothing but the best would suffice for L. S. U. in football, Huey proclaimed, so he hired as his coach Maj. Lawrence (Biff) Jones from West Point. He paid Jones $12,000 a year and, like Governor Caldwell, said he wanted winning football. Long probably never knew the length of a football field, but he could see the value of a winning football team to a university.

He was watching Jones' L. S. U. team having a tough time of it against Tennessee one Saturday afternoon, and when L. S. U. finally went into the lead midway during the fourth quarter, Huey came up with a strategical gem of his very own. From his 50-yard-line seat, he instructed one of his stooges, "Go down there and tell that referee I said to blow the final whistle immediately." Needless to say, Huey's strategy failed, but he was leaving no possibility unturned, and when L. S. U. held its lead to the finish he was happy.

Eventually, of course, Biff Jones quit as the Louisiana State coach. He refused to contend with the continual interference of Senator Long, who used to walk into the squad's blackboard drills and go into a long harangue about winning Saturday's game at a time when Jones was trying to perfect the team's plays.

The blow-off came shortly after an L. S. U.-Alabama game when, in the first half with Alabama leading by a touchdown, Huey climbed from his box seat and made his way to the L. S. U. bench, telling Head Coach Jones, "You'd better use more of these end runs."

"Get up there in the stands where you belong," Jones barked to Huey, "I'm running this game."

"That's where you're going to be hereafter, up in the stands, unless you win this game," said Huey. The next season, Jones took the head coaching job at Nebraska.

The story may be apocryphal, but Jones' friends say he used to worry about Huey's tactics of racing onto the field during a game. "Some day," said Jones, "we're going to be penalized for having 11½ men on the field."

On an afternoon when Louisiana State was getting licked by Tulane, with Zimmerman of Tulane the star of the game, the report is that Long walked into the Tulane dressing room and pulled out a roll of bills. He wanted to hire Zimmerman to play for L. S. U. in the second half. When somebody told him it was against the rules, he wanted to call Walter Camp and have the rules changed until somebody told him Camp had been dead for 10 years.

Huey was intrigued one day by the splendid marching of the L. S. U. Band until he was told that other schools had larger bands. Whereupon he declared that L. S. U. must have the largest. His investigators reported that the biggest known college band was Illinois' 150-piece unit. Huey ordered 250 pieces for L. S. U. and got 'em. He demanded every type of instrument, and when the band finally was paraded before him he scanned it and thundered, "I don't see no bull fiddle." A base fiddle was added.

He dropped into band practice one day and asked the leader to have the band play "Every Man a King." When the leader confessed the band didn't know the number, Huey said, "I'm going to the State House and will be back in two hours, and your band will play 'Every Man a King' or it's going to have a new leader." Two hours later, on Huey's return, the band was ready with his request number.

The Sports Patrol

All-America Miller Serves Pro Team as Talent Scout

New York, Dec. 23 (U.P.).—A football taxes a lot of funny bounces. But the oblate spheroid really skedaddled into the psychopathic ward tonight with the disclosure that the Cleveland Browns of the new All-America pro league have signed a man who:

1. Was an almost unanimous selection for all American in 1943.

2. At this date weighs 190 pounds, is sound of mind, body and limb.

3. In the Cleveland Browns' setup rates the title of—talent scout.

The man who comes under the foregoing classification is Creighton Miller, 1943 Notre Damer and last year's assistant coach at Yale.

Now 23 years old, the nephew of Four-Horseman Don Miller is afraid he has "rounded the turn" as an athlete. The Cleveland All-America club has given him carte blanche to sign on players bby any means he has at hand—his own socialbility with athletes of his own age, plus the bankroll of Ray McBride, the taxicab tycoon of Ohio.

To date, young Mister Miller has signed on the following players for the Cleveland entry: Dippy Evans, a companion in the 1942 backfield at Notre Dame; Jumbo Yonakor, end on the same team and All-America that year; Vince Banonis of Detroit and Lou Rimkis of the Washington Redskins.

The fact that Rimkis, as well as Banonis, who played for the Chicago Cards, were technically property of the National Football League, is not lost on Miller, who is not a third year law student at Yale for nothing.

"There's nothing in the constitution of the National League that says a player can't dicker for his pay," Miller said. "That shows how shortsighted they were. They never thought about a rival league coming along

"I remember how I was drafted by the Brooklyn Dodgers of the National League after I got out of Notre Dame. They offered me so much. I said I wanted more. I talked it over with my father and my uncles (Cleveland lawyers), and they advised me to stay out of pro ball and continue my law study.

"So I went to Yale last year. And when Howie Odell asked me to help coach the Yale football team I said it was a pleasure. And incidentally, I never saw guys try harder than our fellows in the Ivy league. They weren't the caliber of Notre Dame or Big Ten players, but boy, did they give!"

"Next year, I think I will be with the Cleveland All-America club. I may be in the front office; I may be a talent scout."

"A player? At my age? I'm all out of shape. Last week in the Yale gym a guy I had never seen before challenged me ta 200-yard dash around the oval. I only beat him by 10 yards. I'm all washed up."

Phil Terranova Held to Draw

Havana, Cuba, Dec. 23 (AP).—Phil Terranova, former N. B. A. featherweight champion from New York, was held to a draw last night by Cuban featherweight titleholder Miguel Acevedo in a hard fought 10-round bout before a capacity 10,000 crowd at the Sports Palace. The fans contributed to a Havana record gate of $12,308.

There were no knockdowns but Acevedo sent the partisan crowd into an uproar when he staggered the New Yorker in the third, fifth and eighth rounds. Terranova, who was outweighed 124 to 130¾, called on his experience to pile up points with his superior boxing.

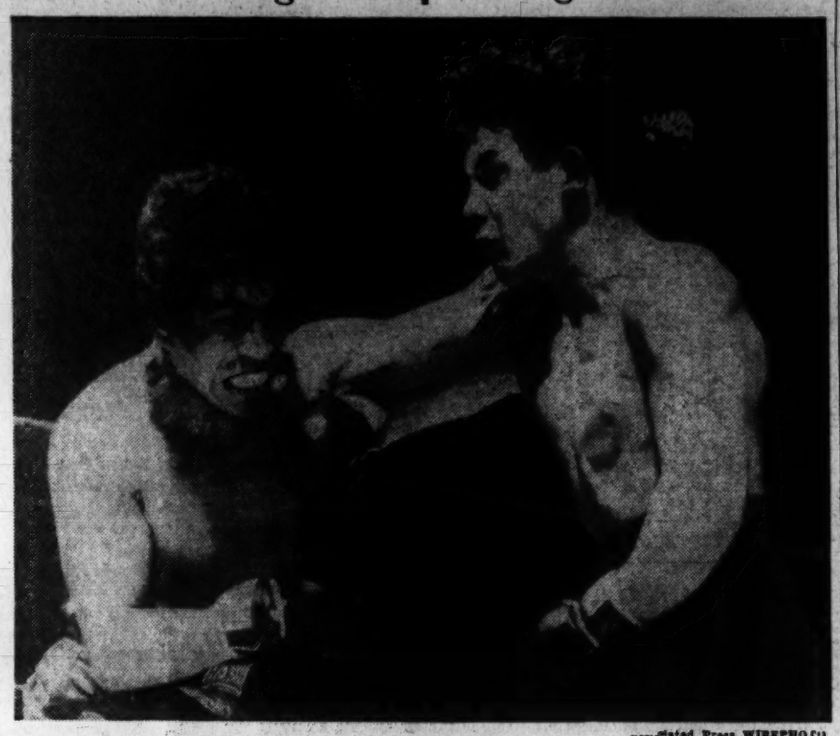
Terranova was fined five dollars for hitting after the break in the fifth round. He had been warned twice previously for this offense by the referee.

Vander Meer Leaves Navy

Associated Press Photo

TWO NO-HIT—Coxswain Johnny Vander Meer (left), only major leaguer ever to pitch two consecutive no-hit baseball games, shown shaking hands with Lieut. (j. g.) C. Preston Scoboria, of Morrisville, Pa., as he was handed his discharge papers at Lido Beach, Long Island, N. Y., last week. Vander Meer is the property of the Cincinnati Reds

Rocky Graziano's Rise to Top Paced Boom Year in Boxing; Europe Ring Flourishes



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CRASHES RIGHT—Humberto Zavala (left), of Mexico, grimaces as Tony Janiro of Youngstown, Ohio, tosses a right during their recent fight in Madison Square Garden. Janiro won the decision

Socking Middle-Weight Gains String of KOs; 'Bummy' Davis and Arnold Among Victims

By Jack Cuddy
United Press Sports Writer

New York (U.P.).—The rise of Rocky Graziano, heavy-punching young New York middleweight, featured boxing during 1945—a boom year for the sport although only two title bouts were staged.

Graziano of the square shoulders and shaggy, brown mane blasted out five knockouts at Madison Square Garden and played to gates totaling $402,000, while champions were emerging from the armed services and conditioning themselves for future bouts.

Graziano became the new "golden boy" as boxing interests increased roustly throughout the country, stimulated by returning servicemen and by expanding radio broadcasts. New clubs opened in all sections, riding the boom; and Mike Jacobs promoted a record-shattering total of 82 fight shows—43 at the Garden and 39 at smaller St. Nicholas arena.

Louis and Conn Signed

Midst all this activity, Graziano's ring exploits were outstanding, although naturally none of them commanded the attention accorded the signing of a return title bout between Heiavyweight Champion Joe Louis and Billy Conn for next June. Graziano, previously regarded as a mediocre mauler, registered a startling upset on March 9 when he knocked out Billy Arnold of Philadelphia in the third round. Rocky came back from the verge of groggy-land to turn this trick.

On May 25, the wild-swinging Italian—whom some admirer have tagged "the new Ketchell"—knocked out Al (Bummy) Davis in the fourth round. This same Davis died a tragic but heroic death on November 21 when killed in a Brooklyn tavern holdup while attacking four armed bandits with his bare fists.

Then came two knockouts for Rocky over Freddie (Red) Cochrane, welterweight champion, in over-the-weight matches, June 29 and August 24. Each kayo was achieved in the tenth round. Graziano's last ring appearance was on September 28, when he knocked out Harold Green of Brooklyn in the third round before 18,592 fans who paid $103,970, the year's biggest boxing gate anywhere.

Cochrane Gate $100,000

This gate bettered the $101,918 drawn at the Garden when Tami Mauriello outpointed Lee Oma in their third heavyweight meeting. Graziano, incidentally, was a principal in the year's third largest take of $100,469, attracted by his second bout with Cochrane.

The Garden had two other gates of more than $90,000—for the No. 4 fight in the Ray Robinson-Jake LaMotta series, and for the No. 3 bout in the Johnny Greco-Tony Janiro series. The Chicago Stadium also drew more than $90,000 for the No. 5 Robinson-LaMotta brawl.

Gates in all sections generally were better than the brand of competition merited, due to the plentitude of money in circulation and the increased interest in the sport. Virtually no important outdoor shows were staged, but America wound up with the most profitable indoor year in ring history.

Meanwhile, in Europe, Promoter Jack Solomons blossomed out after the end of hostilities and began staging bouts in London, Paris and Dublin, Eire. British interest was stimulated greatly by the impressive manner in which its new empire heavyweight champion, Bruce Woodcock, wrested the title from Jack London on a knockout. Because Woodcock is a puncher, he is expected to do well against American heavies and possibly get a shot at the world crown.

Only two title bouts were staged during the year. Willie Pep, who is recognized as featherweight king by New York and associated States, defended Against Phil Terranova in February; and Ike Williams wrested the National Boxing Association's lightweight crown from Juan Zurita at Mexico City in April.

Williams' victory over Zurita gave the United States all boxing titles except the flyweight diadem, which is held by Jackie Patterson of England. All U. S. champions, except Williams, were in the armed services, and all received their discharges before December. Williams was rejected for service because of perforated ear drums.

Louis signed to make a heavy title defense against Conn in June; Cochrane signed to defend his welter crown against Marty Servo on February 1, with that winner to defend May 24 against Ray Robinson; Bantam Champion Manuel Ortiz arranged for a defense in January, as did Sal Bartolo, the N. B. A. feather king. Then the National Boxing Association notified all champions who had not signed that they must sign before April 1, 1946, and make defenses before June. Williams was ordered to sign by New Year's.

Tami Unbeaten

With Louis and Conn out of action, heavyweight competition was lack-luster indeed. Tami Mauriello and Jimmy Bivins went through the year unbeaten; but Joe Baski was upset by two lightly regarded opponents, Jersey Joe Walcott and Jimmy Bell. Archie Moore stood out among the small crop of light-heavies, while 19-year-old Billy Fox extended his consecutive knockout string to 35 against minor opposition.

Graziano Jake LaMotta and Tiger Wade commanded most attention among the middleweights. "Sugar" Ray Robinson, top-ranking welterweight, continued unbeaten against welters and middleweights. Young Tony Janiro threatened to become a welter contender, but took a terrific head beating in his third and "rubber" match with Canadian Johnny Greco. Tippy Larkin did well The lightweight division was in chaotic condition. Champion Bob Montgomery (New York brand) was injured in an automobile accident while in the Army, and was uncertain when he could defend—after his discharge. Champion Ike Williams (NBA brand) was beaten by former Champ Sammy Angott and by Willie Joyce in nontitle bouts, and held to a draw by Wesley Mouzon. Allie Stolz came back and upset Joyce. Bobby Ruffin campaigned unsuccessfully.

All signs indicate that 1946 will be a fabulously prosperous year in the fight game, with Louis and Conn expected to hammer out receipts ranging from three million dollars on up, and with title bouts in all the other divisions stimulating interest.

Rovers Crush Falcons, 7 to 1

New York, Dec. 23 (AP).—The New York Rovers shoved the Philadelphia Falcons into second place in the Eastern Hockey League today by crushing the Quaker City six, Square Garden. It was the Red Shirts' fourth straight victory and fifth in six engagements with the Falcons. Defenseman Harry Bell chimed in with two goals to lead the winners' assault.

$100,000 Anita Derby Draws 99 Candidates

Los Angeles, Dec. 23 (AP).—The $100,000-Added Santa Anita Derby, richest race for three-year-olds in turf history, has drawn 99 nominations.

Topped by Star Pilot, champion, two-year-old colt of the year, and 13 other established juveniles that won 24 stakes in 1945, the field for the mile and one-eighth race February 23 shapes up as better than any for the last eight runnings at the Los Angeles Turf Club's Arcadia plant.

Air Rate was a surprise entry. This colt won the Garden State, Mayflower, Miles Standish, James H. Connors Memorial and Newport Stakes, but is the only prominent candidate not yet on the grounds awaiting the opening of the Santa Anita season Saturday.

Beaugay, champion two-year-old filly of 1945, was not entered, although she was made eligible for the $100,000 Santa Anita Handicap March 9.

Elizabeth Arden's Maine Chance Farm seems to hold the strongest hand for the Derby with Star Pilot, Lord Boswell, Knockdown and Colony Boy, the last being a $46,000 yearling buy.

California-bred or owned horses predominate in numbers for the Derby and some of them should furnish strong competition for the big prize—Widow's Peak, Style Prince, Prince Le Roy, Favorito, Bar Willie and Terry Bargello to name a few.

West Va. Wagering Hits New High

Charleston, W. Va., Dec. 23 (AP).—Wagering at West Virginia's two race tracks rose in 1945 to a new record total of $13,228,244, Chairman Beverlley Brown of the State Racing Commission announced today.

The 1945 total covered only 113 days of racing compared with 124 days in 1944, when the overall mutuel handle was $13,018,004.

Wheeling Downs held spring and fall meetings for a total of 61 days. The Charles Town track cut short its December meeting by three days because of bad weather.

W. Va. Complete 23-Game Schedule

Morgantown, W. Va., Dec. 23 (AP).—Two more games have been added to complete West Virginia University's basketball schedule, making a total of 23 games for this season, Athletic Director Roy M. Hawley announced today.

Hawley said St. Vincent's College of LaTrobe, Pa., would visit the field house on January 5, while the other game wil be with Alderson-Broaddus here on January 26.

The Mountaineers go to New York on January 9 to meet Long Island in Madison Square Garden.

Harpers Ferry's Five Scores, 35-15

Harpers Ferry, W. Va., Dec. 23.—Harpers Ferry basketball team opened its season here by defeating St. Josep'h Catholic School of Martinsburg, W. Va., 35 to 15. It was the second loss of the season for the visitors by an identical score.

In a preliminary, the Ferry junior five defeated St. Josep'hs juniors, 45 to 7.

Handley Defeats Staunton, 28 to 26

Winchester, Va., Dec 23.—Handley High School won its second straight basketball game of the season last night, defeating Staunton, 28-26.

It was Staunton's first loss. The game was a nip-and-tuck battle not decided until the final minutes and then only on a margin of free tosses. Both sides made 10 field goals but Handley edged Staunton at the foul line eight to the losers' six. The score was tied 6-6 at the end of the initial period and 23-23 at the end of the third quarter. Staunton had a 10-6 advantage at the half. Garber paced the winners with nine points, Judy had 10 for Staunton.

World War II Victory in 1945 Starts Biggest Boom in Sports

Crisis Looms In Maryland Turf Muddle

Baltimore, Dec. 23 (AP).—Maryland racing was in the midst of a crisi stoday as 17 persons were under suspension by the State aRcing Commission on one acusation or another.

To a roster of eight trainers already suspended after commission anonuncements that horses under their care had ben stimuated, the Racing Commission added seven jockeys, otne more trainer and a jockey's agent, who it accused of violating its rule prohibiting bribery and conspiracy at Maryland tracks.

In turn, the commission had pending against it in Baltimore City Circuit Court four suits, one by a trainers' association and three by individual trainers.

A New Aspect

These suits all dealt with the agency's enforcement actions on stimulation. The nine new suspensions, announced Saturday, injected a new aspect into the situation.

Through Chairman George P. Mahoney, the commission said tis move against the nine resulted from "two months of investigation" in which Baltimore and Maryland police participated.

Meanwhile the commission's rule governing stimulation of horses—and its interpretation of it—was under attack by the American Tariners' Association, which has filed suits to have the rule declared void on constitutional gurounds.

The rule (146-D) holds trainers responsible for' stimulations and sets a one-year suspension as a minimum penalty.

File Injunctions

Three trainers—Clay Sutphin, for S. W. Labrot, jr., E. A. Christmas, for W. L. Brann's Stable, and R. F. Curran—filed injunctions proceedings to restrain the agency from conducting further hearings on their cases, based on stimulation charges.

The race in which the violation of the bribery rule occurred, the commission declared, was the Steeplechase at Pimlico November 30, won by Mamie's Lad, which paid $5.20 straight, $3.20, place, and $3 show.

In that connection, the commission suspended the following; Jockeys Douglas Banks, Howard Cruz, Verne Haines, Sidney O'Neill, William J. Owens, Francis Passmore, Scott D. Riles; Jockey's Agent James E. Byrnes, and Trainer John Barry.

Bainbridge Edges Amphibs By 38-37 Score

Bainbridge, Md., Dec. 23 (AP).—Forward Randy Clark's one-handed long shot with 23 seconds to play gave the Bainbridge Navy cagers team a 38-37 win over the Little Creek Amphibious Base quintet today.

The victory, the fifth out of nine for the Commodores this season, was the first loss in five games for the Amphibs.

Clark, who paced the Commodores all afternoon with some expert shooting that accounted for 21 points, tossed in the winning heave from midcourt just after Little Creek Guard Lloyd Dochrman had put the visitors ahead by one point with a foul goal.

The Virginians were ahead 26-16, at half time, but, sparked by Clark, the Bainbridge team gradually closed the gap as the game progressed and had pulled even by late in the contest.

Little Creek.	G	FO	P	Bainbridge.	G	FO	P
Miller,f	3	0	6	Clark,f	10	1	21
Watson,f	2	0	4	Mayer,f	1	1	3
Taylor,f	0	2	2	Cyphers,f	0	1	1
Berlin,f	0	0	0	Switzer,c	3	1	7
Bradley,c	3	3	9	Gordon,g	2	0	4
Molching,g	0	1	1	Pickens,g	0	0	0
Lodge,g	2	2	6	Hess,g	1	0	2
Doshrman,g	4	1	9				
Economidis,g	0	0	0	Totals	17	4	38
Totals	14	9	37				

Score at half—Little Creek, 26; Bainbridge, 16.

Nation Attests Athletic Interest By Sticking to Wartime Versions

By Leo H. Petersen
United Press Sports Writer

The end of World War II ushered in what is expected to be the most prosperous sports era of all time.

Hardly had the firing died down on the far-flung battlefields before the sports boom was felt. Attendance and financial records were broken and by year's end the athletic world will be well on the road back to the sports-as-usual program.

Not that all sports suffered during the war years. As a matter of fact, it was business pretty much as usual with baseball, racing, football and boxing and a few other sports. Club owners and promoters made more money than ever during the war, but it is expected to be a mere trickle compared to what is in store for the future.

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Many sports, mostly minor ones, were blacked-out completely during the war and others were curtailed. But those that survived suffered only in the cilaber of competition. There were travel and other restrictions, but it didn't affect the gate receipts or attendance.

There was, however, a noticeable dropping off in the caliber of competition from 1944, with the majority of star athletes in the armed services. They started coming back soon after V-E Day and the quality of play picked up somewhat, although it still was far below the prewar standards.

Still Best in World

The way the fans flocked to patronize the various sports, however, left no doubt that America, as always, wanted its sports. It may not have been quality stuff, but it still was quantity and still was the best in the world. And it was good enough to draw out the war dollars in an unprecedented stream.

Owners and participants alike looked back on 1945 as very successful, all factors considered. Sports never did get out of the big-business category during the war—in fact, it grew in stature—and as for 1946, the consensus is that it will begin a new golden era which will make the boom days of the '20s fade into insignificance.

Newhouser Nelson

There appears to be no limit to what the boom will bring. Even now there are not enough stadia, race tracks, boxing arenas and other playing fields big enough to accommodate the demand.

There are talking of a 10 million dollar gate, including radio, motion pictures and television rights for the world's heavyweight championship match between Champion Joe Louis and Challenger Billy Conn next June. Most of the minor baseball leagues which were forced to suspend because of the manpower shortages and other reasons during the war plan to resume in the spring. There will be at least one new professional football circuit in the fall. One hockey league—the U. S.—which suspended during the war, resumed this season. Universities and colleges which abandoned football and other sports will resume those athletics next fall and all intercollegiate athletics are expected to be back to normal before 1946 is very old.

Looked Bad at Start

Some of the top sports events which were suspended during the war will be renewed on the 1946 calendar such as the Davis Cup, the big golf matches, the Indianapolis automobile race, international competition in yachting, as well as golf and tennis, and thousands of smaller events which fell by the wayside.

Despie the success it enjoyed in 1945, sports was not without its heartaches. Many of its leading coaches, athletes and leaders gave their all on the war fronts and on the home front many notables passed away.

Sports was proud of its contributions to the war effort. It raised millions for charity and gave its best sons on the fighting fronts. It carried on as best it could without interfering with the prosecution of the war and when this most terrible of all wars was ended sports did not have to apologize. It held up its end, and held it up well.

The year 1945 started out very dismally for sports, however. The Federal government, in a move to conserve manpower and war materials, closed the race tracks. Major league baseball did not know until shortly before the season was scheduled to open whether it would be able to operate because of the player shortage. More minors were forced to suspend.

But before spring, when victory in Europe became only a question of time, things began returning to normal. The majors, after arranging their schedules to face transportation facilities as much as possportation facilities as much as possible, opened after training in the North again. And in May the race tracks were allowed to reopen.

Long before the war in the Pacific ended in August, sports was well along the road leading to the expected boom.

Although such things as the annual All-Star game had to be canceled, the major leagues enjoyed one of their best seasons. For the first time in history, three National League clubs—Brooklyn, Chicago and New York—went over the million mark in attendance. Two American League clubs exceeded the mark—Detroit and New York. For major league club owners it was one of the best financial seasons in history.

Tigers World's Champs

And for the pennant races, it was the Chicago Cubs in the National after a stirring batle with the St. Louis Cardinals and the Detroit Tigers in the American—the latter race not being decided unti lthe last day of the season, when the Tigers beat the St. Louis Browns to nose out Washington. The Tigers went on to win the World Series, four games out of seven. The series was marked by the pitching of Hal Newhouser, the hitting of Hank Greneburg and probably the worst outfield play on the part of the Tigers that the classic ever has known. But it drew record crowds.

Soon after the ban on horse racing was lifted, the mutuel machines began clicking merry tunes. The ban was lifted in time to hold all the usual stake races, with Hoop, jr., taking the Kentucky Derby, Polynesian and Preakness, and Pavot the Belmont Stakes.

In New York, all sorts of betting records were broken. The mutuels churned out their first $4,000,000 betting day—once a total undreamed of in racing circles. Before the year was out that mark had been exceeded nine times. The high came on September 22 at Belmont Park when the $5,000,000 betting figure was surpassed—$5,016,745.

It is doubtful if racing ever will enjoy such a successful season from the financial and attendance standpoint again. Although there were few outstanding thoroughbreds during the year—due in a large part to the fact that most of them had been taken out of training during the sport's blackout—there was no end to the money the people had to wager. It may be different in 1946—for those war workers' dollars may be diverted from the mutuel machines for such things as new automobiles,

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Former 'Mauler's' Manager Acquitted

Associated Press WIREPHOTO

AWAITED VERDICT—Jack Kearns (center), 63-year-old former boxing manager of Jack Dempsey, shown with Mickey Walker (right) and Mrs. Walker as he waited while the jury deliberated his case in New York recently. He was tried for violating the Securities Exchange Act, using the mails to defraud and conspiracy. He was acquitted of all charges

Nation's Top Quints Pause for Holidays

Depaul's 8-0 Record Best In Country

New York, Dec. 23 (AP).—College basketball competition is at a minimum this holiday week, but preconference games already have indicated what teams are outstanding throughout the country.

Based on their team records and the nature of competition they have faced, the top 15 quintets at this time seem to be Depaul, 8-0, the Oklahoma Aggies (4-1, beaten only by Depaul), Kansas 7-0, Syracuse 6-0, Iowa 6-0, Indiana 6-0, Kentucky 6-0, Cornell 5-0, New York University 5-0, Notre Dame 5-0, Wyoming 4-0, St. John's of Brooklyn, 5-1, Ohio State 3-1, Temple (3-1 lost only to Okla. Aggies), and Bowling Green (10-1 lost only to Depaul).

Sectionally, the leading teams include:

Eastern Collegiate League—Cornell 5-0, Penn 3-1 and Columbia 5-1.

Eastern Independents—In addition to St. John's, Temple, Syracuse and NYU there are West Virginia 6-0, Manhattan 7-1, Colgate 4-1, Rutgers 6-1, Muhlenberg 3-1 and Rensselar 3-1. Navy beat Bainbridge Naval Training in its only game while Army, beaten only once in its last 30 games, does not open its season until next month.

Carolina Has 8-1 Record

New England—Yale 4-0, Holy Cross 3-0 and Rhode Island State 4-1 (beaten only by St. John's).

Southern Conference — North Carolina 6-1, Duke 2-2.

Southeast—In addition to Kentucky, Tennessee 4-0 and Georgia 2-0 are undefeated.

Rocky Mountains (Big Seven)—Wyoming seems outstanding. Utah won only one game on its Eastern trip.

Big Six—Kansas is outstanding although Oklahoma 3-3 may come along later.

Western Conference—Iowa, defending champions, Indiana and Ohio State, face stiff competition from Northwestern 3-0, Michigan 5-1 and Purdue 4-1.

Midwest Independents—In addition to Depaul, Notre Dame and Bowling Green, Baldwin-Wallace 5-0, Louisville 10-8, Ohio University 4-1 and Valparaiso 4-2 rank high.

Southwest—This shapes as a free-for-all with Texas 6-0, Baylor 5-0, Rice 4-1, Texas Christian 7-2, Southern Methodist 7-3 and Arkansas 5-2 all dangerous.

Aggies Dominate

Pacific Coast — Southern California, 4-0, in the southern division and Washington State, 5-0, in the northern loop appear outstanding. Oregon did not fare well on its Eastern invasion. Pepperdine tops the Far West independents.

Missouri Valley—The Oklahoma Aggies apparently dominate the field.

Outstanding features of last night's games included Iowa's 41-39 triumph over Illinois to enable the Hawkeyes to tie Indiana and Ohio State for the lead in the Big Ten; Cornell's easy 70-36 conquest of Columbia to take over first place in the Eastern intercollegiate circuit, and Indiana's 67-58 extra-period victory over Michigan, a triumph that snapped Michigan's five-game winning streak.

Narrows Applies For Franchise

Johnson City, Tenn., Dec. 23. (AP) Carl A. Jones, jr., president of the Appalachian League, announced tonight that Narrows, Va., had applied for a franchise in the circuit.

Jones said that Welch, W. Va., definitely was interested in entering the league in event the Mountain State Circuit is not reorganized, adding that prospects for an eight-club Applachian loop in 1946 were bright.

The Appalachian League, which operated throughout the war with four teams, was increased to six clubs recently by the entrance of Bluefield, W. Va., and Pulaski, Va.

I See by the Papers — By Bo Brown

MISTLETOE PLENTIFUL FOR THIS CHRISTMAS
PUCKER-UP GIRLS—I'VE GOT A PECK OF WOO-WOO WEED
IT MAY BE MISTLETOE TO HIM—BUT HE'S POISON IVY TO ME
HURRY UP, EDDIE—WE HAVEN'T HAD OUR SUGAR RATIONS YET
DURING THIS "SMOOTCHING SEASON" ALL I EVER GET TO KISS IS MY PEACE AND QUIET GOODBYE

Ducks or Men?

Harld Ickes' Fowl Sanctuary Stirs Fuss; Congress May Act

By Robert C. Albright
Post Staff Writer

A home for vagrant black ducks planned by Secretary Harold Ickes' Fish and Wildlife service on the Massachusetts coast has so stirred up the New England countryside that Congress is about to take a hand.

"A revolt is brewing," Theodore Spector, Interior Department assistant solicitor, reported to Ickes. "I was told that bloodshed might result."

Somehow Congress got hold of what Spector wrote his chief and threatens to blow Ickes duck sanctuary right out of the water. As Representative George J. Bates (R., Mass.), put it: "It's a question of who has priority, ducks or men?"

Bills to Evict Ducks

Ipswich clammers and Newbury, Byfield, Georgetown, Groveland and Rawley, Mass., farmers, whose land has been condemned for the 12,000-acre Parker River duck sanctuary, have set up such a clamor, in fact, that the House Agriculture Committee may ask Ickes to dispossess the ducks.

Bills to do just that have been introduced by Bates and Representative Thomas J. Lane, (D., Mass.), and the House Agriculture Committee is in a mood to report them out. Massachusetts Governor Maurice J. Tobin and almost the entire Massachusetts delegation have backed the farmers against the ducks. Fish and Wildlife Director Ira N. Gabrielson has appealed for another hearing to state the case of the ducks.

What got the Massachusetts folk really mad was Mr. Ickes' refusal to follow advice of his assistant solicitor to cut down the size of sanctuary. Ickes buried the Spector report and called for a "more comprehensive investigation." And there the matter stands.

Think of Rights of Man

Descendants of the folk who settled the area in 1635 contend no ducks that ever lived need 12,000 acres to breed. Besides, they say, the ducks eat their seed clams. Areas to be flooded for duck ponds will spoil both their health and their pastures, they protested to Washington.

Mr. Ickes sent Mr. Spector up to interview them.

"These people have been in the habit of thinking of the rights of man," Spector reported. "Their grandfathers and fathers participated in battles for liberty and therefore it is quite natural for them, in a protesting spirit, to challenge the seizure of their land."

Predicting a "revolt," Spector said the natives "were so aroused at the attitude of the Fish and Wildlife Service and the posting of notices of taking on their trees during a blizzard last December that a 'Boston Tea Party' was staged and the tires of the Fish and Wildlife Service automobile were slashed."

Spector went on to say that the town of Newbury will have to increase its tax rate because of land losses to the project.

Even some industries were affected. Spector duly reported the closing of the Byfield Snuff Co., established in 1804, and using a power mill built in 1694, that it may lose its water supply.

In Brisk Drills

San Francisco, Dec. 23 (AP).—Clearing weather today enabled Eastern and Western football stars to go through brisk workouts for the East-West charity game here New Year's day.

BASKETBALL
Bainbridge, 38; Little Creek Amphibs, 37.
HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL
La Salle Academy (Providence, R. I.), 6; Holy Cross (New Orleans), 0.
EASTERN HOCKEY LEAGUE
New York, 7; Falcons, 1.

Gulf Stream

By the Associated Press

1—1 1/16; $2000; 3-year-olds up; claiming.

Extricate	109	Hasty Foot	109
Busy Man	109	Wicklitzy Gal	114
Bobtown	111	Bell Call	114
Icanigo	101	Greville	119
Make Past	107	Unitran	104
Rare Flares	116	Rembout	114
Lauderkin	114	Beaumont	114
Snowline	114	Good Gravy	112

2—5/16; $3000; 3-year-olds up; claiming.

High Cue	118	Tinted Light	107
Time Flies	108	Peter Kin	113
Dissension Sir	113	Kid Apron	113
Matata	113	Smoothy	110
All Charm	107	Polymelior	113
Blue Mate	106	Pas Seul	118
Restoration	110	Roman Arch	115
Piandome	113	Peter Pat	115

3—5/8; $2000; maiden 2-year-old c. and g.

Dixie Sweep	113	Waverly	118
Elvius	118	New Dough	118
Contortionist	116	Fabrin	116
Irish Count	113	The Fakir	118
Ray O'Sullivan	118	Hibernian	118
Right Hand	113	Pharlo	118
Bullsel	118	Darby Doodle	118
Storm Play	113	Doug Crate	113

4—3/4; $2000; 3-year-olds up; claiming.

Liberty Head	113	Magic Heels	111
Mik O'Sullivan	113	Valdina Idol	117
Honey Bun	104	Freddies Gamn	107
Mercury	114	Meshach	117
Reversal	114	Miss Disleal	111
Kear of Audley	109	Hercules	109
Swing Shift	114	Flintee	111
Traction	117	Daisy Lee	109

5—3/4; $2000; 3-year-olds up; allowances.

Hi Gallant	118	Epistar	108
Dagger	118	Epison	118
Patriotic Fox	108	Valdina Qino	115
Lee Flag	115	Ever On	118
Sun Moss	110	Baby Kiddie	110
Madgethern	113	Spring Morning	117
Turncoat	118	Ballodge	118
Halcyons	117	Unshakable	118

6—3/4; $2500; 3-year-olds; allowances.

John Q. Public	117	Slcot	112
†Billy P	107	Nowadays	120
Statesmans	117	Alabama	117
Concerto	113	Mister Chat	113
Westport Point	109	Kewey Dee	113
Winsome Lad	117	Santa's Vixen	109

†Ed-Ell Stable entry.

7—Mile 70; $3200; 3-year-olds and up.

Ginokum	108	Gabe Paul	114
Gallant Chance	119	Rangoon	111
Grey Steel	119	John's Bird	109
Reaping Gold	119	Albuido	116
Air Current	116	Director	108
Maybe Tops	114	Change Here	119

8—Mile 70; $2000; 3-year-olds up; claim.

One Tip	118	Uncle Mose	113
Nepolee	115	Ambranded	113
Good Ante	113	Citrafire	113
Which Cup	108	Renraw	118
Nostradamus	118	Crete	110
King's Feast	115	Ebony Moon	113
Gay Buck	116	Retlaw	113
Countess Play	110	Peace Maker	113

Fair Grounds

1—5/8; $800; 3-year-olds up; claiming.

Flick	103	Gala Grip	103
Bona Dea	108	Tasquest	108
Gay Kit	103	Back Jo Back	108
Fly Dancer	103	Wesing	103
Hy Laura	108	Country Butter	103
Audrey M	108	Martlet	108
Myrna	103	Tva Del	103
Hawaiian Rock	103	Witchwerx	113

2—5/8; $900; maiden 3 and 4 year olds.

Prime Minister	121	Politics	116
Ennaoj	121	Julia Y	113
Baby Snuff	116	In Silver	116
Sister Fox	113	Ice Dancer	118
Lit	113	Credenda	118
As Bold	116	Captain Joe	119
Dolce Rosaria	116	Macendy	116
Fire Wand	118	Sun Gallahad	121

3—Mile 70; $800; 3-year-olds; claiming.

Golden Cloth	106	Tat	111
Order Arms	114	Byerman	106
Bodana Pal	109	Fortunia	106
Navy Relief	106	Staple Goods	106
Goodforme	114	Alvan	109

4—5/8; $900; 3-year-olds up; claiming.

Johnnie Ehret	114	Wonzerra	111
Bolo Prince	111	Columbus Day	114
Wise Decision	114	Rewarded	116
Michigan Cherry	119	Calos	114
Camera Man	119	Swain	114
Play Kitty	113	Loch Ness	119
Pipeliner	109	Sons Twinkle	108
Big Meal	106	Silver Toy	116
Quick Tool	106	Vista	113

5—5/8; $1000; 2-year-olds; allowances.

Ma Ge Tee	113	Incitable	116
Chalups	114	Elsekitta	113
La La	115	Miss Evidence	113
Brown Dame	111		

6—Mile 70; $2500; all ages; handicap.

Latent	111	Door-York	107
Lem's Baby	101	Miss Puritan	110
Sandstorm	118	Spicy Patricia	103
Ella Royal	104		

7—1 1/16; $900; 3-year-olds up; allowances.

Angle Bar	103	Hy Rickey	117
Not Now	112	Head Sea	109
Greenock Image	109	Executive	112
Quaker Brass	109	Clip Clop	113
Mighty Arab	105		

8—1 1/16; $900; 3-year-olds up; allowances.

Knight Cappy	100	Tacaro Pilate	106
Trimdem	109	Singular	106
Hot Spark	114	Hi Henry	116
Mistucky	111	Lostabert	115
Gray's Bay	108	Stell	108

Touchdown Club Dinner Lists Notables

No fewer than four Cabinet members, military leaders of all the armed services, Congressmen, Senators and other high-ranking Government officials as well as outstanding sports personalities are included on the ditinguished guest list which will be present at the Touchdown Club's luncheon on Tuesday night, January 8.

Chairman Lieut. Col. Joseph Escude last night announced that Hon. James A. Forrestal, Secretary of the Navy; Hon. Robert P. Patterson, Secretary of War; Hon. Fred Vinson, Secretary of the Treasury, and Hon. Robert Hannegan, Postmaster General, will be prominent among those present.

Charles G. Ross, Secretary to President Harry S. Truman, and George Allen, personal representative of the President, also will appear as will Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower of the Army and Admiral William Halsey of the Navy, two of the outstanding military leaders of the recent war, also will answer the roll call.

Colonel Escude last night announced that other distinguished guests who will attend the dinner will be announced. The dinner is a complete sellout, and it has been necessary to return several thousand applications for reservations.

Great Lakes Wins

Great Lakes, Ill., Dec. 23 (AP)—Great Lakes' basketball team won its third in a row by defeating Wisconsin, 53 to 39, before 2000 fans on the Naval Training Center court this afternoon.

St. James Bows To W.Va. Five In 29-17 Game

Shepherdstown, W. Va., Dec. 23. Shepherdstown High School varsity opened its 1945-46 cage campaign with a 29-17 victory over St. James of Hagerstown, Md., making it a perfect afternoon for the Jefferson county lads as the junior varsity overcame a first half stage-fright to defeat the prep school juniors, 23-11.

Emmert Moler, forward, and Meredith Miller, center, two newcomers to the squad, led the team to victory with 11 points each. The Cards led all the way with scores of 6-4, 15-10 and 19-13 at the quarters.

Allen Day, Bill Blackford, Johnny Lowe and Robert Gano also saw action in the first game and will see plenty more before the season is over. Also considered as first-string material are Gardner, Welshans and Wayne Byers who become eligible the second semester; Junior McKee, who is now ill, and Bill Ambrose, a substitute center. Gano and Miller are the only first-stringers back from last year while Day and Moler were on the squad.

The schedule for the remainder of the cage season:

January 8—Hedgesville, there; 11—Handley, at home; 18—Berkeley Springs, there; 22—Hagerstown, there; 25—Harpers Ferry, there; 29—Hedgesville, at home.

February 1—Handley, there; 5—Charles Town, at home; 12—Martinsburg, there; 15—Berkeley Springs, at home; 19—Hagerstown, at home; 20—St. James, there; 23—Charles Town, there; 26—Harpers Ferry, at home.

March 1—Martinsburg, at home.

ROUNDUP

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refrigerators and the many other items which were not available during the war. But if betting and attendance never approach those figures again it will be all right with the racing people. They don't want the sport to get out of hand, as it threatened to do several times during the 1945 boom.

Boxing Drew Crowd

Boxing, too, despite the fact that most of the feature performers would have rated no better than club fighters in normal times, enjoyed one of its best financial years. No matter who were in a main bout, fights drew capacity audiences and record gate receipts. By year's end all of the boxing champions—and there was only one who was not in the service at one time or another—were back in civilian clothes preparing to defend their titles.

In golf, it was Byron Nelson again, but such stars as Sammy Snead, Ben Hogan and a host of others, were back on the golfing trail as 1945 drew to a close and the caliber of play improved immeasurably.

Basketball, although rocked by the Brooklyn College scandal, enjoyed boom times, too. So did all the other so-called minor sports that carried on. Hockey, suffering from the manpower shortage, played to capacity houses with the Montreal Canadians winning the league title only to have the Toronto Maple Leafs win the Stanley Cup.

Tennis, sharply curtailed, saw California's stranglehold on the sport loosened when Mrs. Sarah Palfrey Cooke of Boston ended the three-year-reign of Pauline Betz of Los Angeles as national women's queen. But the West retained some of its laurels when Sergt. Frankie Parker of Los Angeles, who flew 9000 miles from Guam to compete won the men's title. In track, it was Gunder Hagg and Arne Andersson of Sweden dominant again.

In collegiate football it was Army with what eventually may become rated as the greatest collegiate eleven of all time. Glenn Davis and Felix (Doc) Blanchard, two All-American backs for the second consecutive year, led Army to nine triumphs, including a 32 to 13 victory over Navy in the climactic game of the season for the mythical national championship. The game returned to its prewar setting, Municipal Stadium in Philadelphia, and played before 102,000 persons, including President Truman.

On that high note, the 1945 sports year closed. Just how much record breaking there will be in 1946 no one can foretell, but the chances are that outside of the marks made in horse racing, 1945 is going to go down in history as only a forerunner of bigger and better things in the sports world.

Life's Darkest Moment

Deception to Be Aggies' Big Weapon in Sugar Bowl Game

Stillwater, Okla., Dec. 23 (AP).—Oklahoma A. & M.'s sleight-of-hand tricks will be used to match the aerial prowess of the tricky St. Mary's Galloping Gaels in New Orleans' Sugar Bowl classic New Year's Day.

The Oklahomans knack for slipping the pigskin about with unusual speed produced the mystical action which led to eight successive victories this past season.

Featuring versatility of a single-wing system, mixed with some cagey T-formation and double-wing styles, the Oklahoma Cow boys will try deception against the Gaels.

A. and M.'s coach, Jim Lookabaugh, a mastermind of psychology of the moment, plans newer and bigger things for his cow-country lads in the deep South performance.

Fenimore Leads

The Aggies will turn loose a galloping running attack featuring All-America Halfback Bob Fenimore, the Nation's leading groundgainer this season, and shifty Jimmie Reynolds, just back from overseas duty with the Army Air Forces.

The Aggies toss the ball anywhere on the field, lateral to and from and have plenty of speed in toting the ball forward against most any kind of opposition.

In the pass-catching department, with Fenimore's stellar pitching record as a big help, end Neill Armstrong leads the Oklahomans' record of passes completed. For the third straight year Armstrong, who calls the signals for the Cowpokes, snagged 18 for a total of 312 yards.

Call for Passes

Lookabaugh, realizing that All-America Halfback Hermann Wedemeyer, the Hawaiian-born star of the Gaels, will afford the Aggies a busy afternoon, will call on Fenimore and Reynolds to heave some sharpies to his competent receivers against the Californians at New Orleans.

In the rushing game, Lookabaugh believes he'll have the edge without too much challenge. The Aggies pack a powerhouse line for running attacks with speed-demons like Fenimore, Reynolds, Joe Thomas and others to carry the mail.

In the Aggie front line are such stalwarts as J. D. Cheek, 236-pound tackle; J. C. Colhouer, 205-pound guard; Bert Cole, 235-pound tackle; Thurman Gay, 200-pound guard; Ross Duckett, 190-pound guard; Joe Shunkamolan, 220-pound tackle; Otis Schellstede, 190-pound center, and enough reserves to fill in any possible gap.

Big Six Standings

	W.	L.	TP.	OP.	Pct.
Kansas	7	0	401	258	1.000
Oklahoma	3	3	249	237	.500
Iowa State	2	2	154	193	.500
Missouri	2	3	220	238	.400
Nebraska	2	4	248	319	.333
Kansas State	1	7	315	393	.125

Games This Week

Monday—Kansas State-Wyoming at Laramie, Wyo.

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday—Kansas in Oklahoma City all-college tournament. (Field: Kansas, Rice, Oklahoma A. & M., Texas, Baylor, George Pepperdine College, Oklahoma, Texas Christian.)

Friday—Nebraska-Oregon State at Lincoln; Kansas State-Marshall College in NAIB double-headers at Kansas City.

Saturday—Kansas State-Eastern Kentucky in NAIB double-header at Kansas City.

Monday (December 31)—Iowa State-Iowa Seahawks at Ames; Nebraska-Marquette at Milwaukee.

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Mary Haworth's Mail

Happy Wife, 29, Talks With Strangers Wherever She Goes, Which Causes Some Men to Ask for Dates; Family Chides

DEAR MARY HAWORTH: I would like your opinion on the following matter: I have a habit of being friendly with almost everybody. When waiting for a bus or walking along the street I'll talk with anybody, man or woman, and my manner is the same towards both. I even talk with the bus driver if he is good-humored. Sometimes these conversations are serious; but mostly in a joyful manner.

I am married and have two children; and I love them and my husband, too. So you see I am not looking for a man. Yet nine out of ten of the men I talk with ask me for a date. I tell all of them the same thing—that I am married and have had a standing date for 11 years. Some are persistent, but most sensible men respect me more for not making a date.

Husband Gives Mild Caution

SOME of the people I've talked with I never see again, so I am not looking for friends, either. I have my fair share of friends and relatives. My sisters say I shouldn't be so friendly, but I can't help it. I figure all are my friends until they prove themselves otherwise. I can talk to my husband about some of these conversations; even tell him about being asked for dates—and he doesn't mind, as he knows I don't make any.

However, he does say that I can't be as friendly with men as with women, because men get the wrong impression. Others in my family say, "You can't be friendly with everybody." I have never got into any trouble and now I want you to tell me if I should continue in my own way, being friendly, as I mean no harm. Or should I change? I am 29. T. M.

Loose Tongue Makes Trouble

DEAR T. M.: It is my impression that you talk too much. Much too much. This I gather from the fact that you not only gabble constantly when on the wing, using the ear of any obliging passerby as a sounding board; but what is worse and more, then go home to rehash these futile dialogues to the family.

If you didn't talk so much about how much you talk—you follow, I hope?—your family would be none the wiser about your waste of breath on garrulous or scheming strangers; and hence would not be taking you to task about it. So there is proof, right off, that you do dig pits for yourself with your tongue.

Also, this occurs to me: If your conversational gambits into unknown ears were an artles manifestation of bubbling interest in the human scene, I doubt that you would be so archly self-conscious about the mannerism. You would be scarcely aware of chattering like a magpie to all and sundry as you come and go.

Best Keep Quiet Among Strangers

FURTHERMORE, I think your expansive approach to Tom, Dick and Harry does have adventure-seeking motives behind it—that you don't recognize, probably. If your affable air with strangers reflected an outpouring of Christian good will and nothing more, I think you would have suffered quite a jolt the second or third time—if not the first—that a strange man joshed you as pick-up material; and would have retired into reserve towards the male sex long since, just to ward off such gauche familiarities.

One detects no pain in your report that nine strange men in 10 with whom you converse ask you for a date. Or, more accurately stated, mistake you for a trollop on the basis of your downtown deportment. Thus I infer that your highly approachable reaction to strangers is intended, unconsciously, to garner evidence (satisfying to yourself) that you are still quite a charmer, though 11 years married. As for my opinion on what you should do—I cast my vote with those who advise you to be more self-contained. The Bible says: "A fool uttereth all his mind; but a wise man keepeth it in till afterwards." M. H.

Mary Haworth counsels through her column, not by mail or personal interview. Write her in care of The Post.

First Christmas as Brides

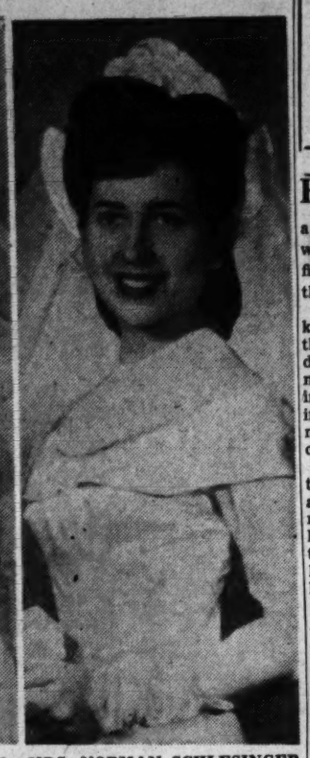
MRS. HAROLD OVERSTREET
. . . *Navy Nurse Married*

In the chapel at National Naval Medical Center, Bethesda, yesterday at 4 p. m., Miss Catherine F. Heston became the bride of Harold Overstreet.

The bride is daughter of Mrs. Christine F. Hetson, West Palm Beach, Fla., and Mr. Overstreet is son of R. E. Overstreet, Attalla, Ala. Chaplain E. A. Downey officiated at the ceremony and a reception was held later.

Given in marriage by Capt. S. E. Truesdale, the bride was attired in white taffeta, designed with sheer yoke trimmed in seed pearls, a fitted bodice and full skirt. Her finger-tip-length veil was held with a cap of pearls and she carried a prayer book and bouquet of white roses. Maid of honor was Miss Lois Warren, costumed in pale blue crepe and carrying a nosegay of mixed flowers. Lieut. Comdr. George V. Webster served as best man.

After a wedding trip to Pinehurst, N. C., the newlyweds will make their home in Golden, Colo. The bride is a graduate of Wichita Hospital School of Nursing, Wichita, Kans., and for the past two years has served here with the United States Naval Reserve as a nurse. Mr. Overstreet is a student at Colorado School of Mines.



MRS. NORMAN SCHLESINGER
. . . *Floral Canopy*

A floral canopy, candelabras and palms decorated the altar of the Oveh Sholom Synagogue yesterday for the wedding of Miss Miriam Mollie Berman and Norman Schlesinger.

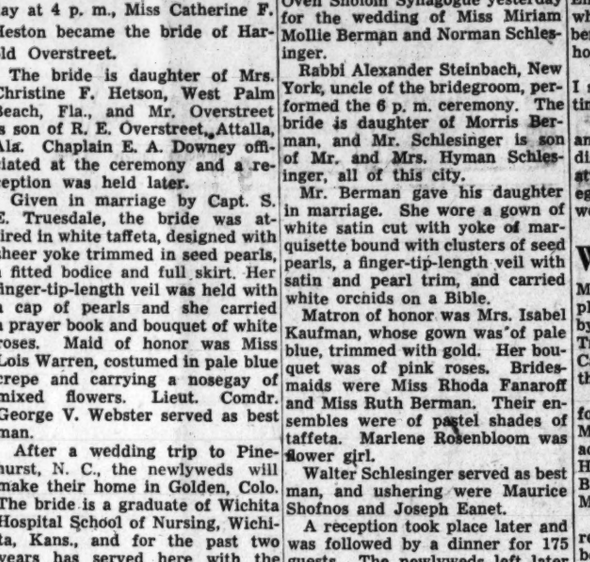
Rabbi Alexander Steinbach, New York, uncle of the bridegroom, performed the 6 p. m. ceremony. The bride is daughter of Morris Berman, and Mr. Schlesinger is son of Mr. and Mrs. Hyman Schlesinger, all of this city.

Mr. Berman gave his daughter in marriage. She wore a gown of white satin cut with yoke of marquisette bound with clusters of seed pearls, a finger-tip-length veil with satin and pearl trim, and carried white orchids on a Bible.

Matron of honor was Mrs. Isabel Kaufman, whose gown was of pale blue, trimmed with gold. Her bouquet was of pink roses. Bridesmaids were Miss Rhoda Fanaroff and Miss Ruth Berman. Their ensembles were of pastel shades of taffeta. Marlene Rosenbloom was flower girl.

Walter Schlesinger served as best man, and ushering were Maurice Shofnos and Joseph Eanet.

A reception took place later and was followed by a dinner for 175 guests. The newlyweds left later on a wedding trip to New York and upon their return will reside at 4222 17th st. nw.



"HOT DOG" will be the expression when midnight kitchen raiders find that mother has left such food as frankfurters, rolls and creole sauce on tap for them to assemble their own feast

Martha Ellyn's Platter Chatter

Icebox Should Be Well Stocked With 'Snacks' for Late Raiders

The icebox raiders are always with us at Christmas time. Many a service man and woman have dreamed about the midnight snack they could pull out of Mom's refrigerator. College boys and girls, too, seem always to be wanting to eat.

So this Christmas let's give special thought to the foods that can be kept on hand so that when the boys get together to tell their experiences of the war they'v won, they will have the fixings that they can put together themselves.

For many mothers and dads this holiday season is the one they have dreamed of for several years. The big man is home, but he's still the little boy to mother. He still likes to have on tap a cold roasted chicken so he can make sandwiches, some hot dogs to slap between buns, plenty of milk to drink and a cake to cut into.

It's well to plan the food for the icebox raiders, and not just let it be left-overs. A savory pot roast will make grand sandwiches, with or without hot gravy poured over them. A tender ham shank will also make fine snack whittling. Mom's homemade meat loaf and some bread and pickles, is another favorite combination in the snack lineup. Other snack and sandwich builders are cheese, onions, sardines, potato chips, tongue, salami, corned beef, peanut butter, jelly, olives and deviled eggs.

If you want to prepare a snack that any boy can put together buy frankfurters, long buns, make a Creole Hot Dog Sauce, and stock up on milk, "cokes" and coffee.

This is the way you make the Creole Sauce:

CREOLE SAUCE

Melt 2 tablespoons fat, add ¼ cup chopped onions and ¼ cup chopped celery. Saute these ingredients until lightly browned. Add 1/3 cup vinegar, 2 teaspoons prepared mustard, 1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce, ½ cup chili sauce, 1 tablespoon brown sugar, dash cayenne pepper, dash tabasco sauce. Simmer slowly for five minutes. Then place the sauce in a container so it may be heated when the gang goes into kitchen maneuvering.

If your Johnny doesn't know how to go about assembling the hot dogs and buns, you might leave him a surprise note to this effect: "Johnny, you'll find the barbecue sauce in the pantry in a pan, already to heat. The buns are in the breadbox, ready for heating. Be sure to prick the skins of the franks to prevent sides from splitting, then put them in the sauce and cook until they're heated through. Then when the buns are heated you'll be ready for putting the heated frankfurters in them, and pouring the Creole sauce over all."

Bernice Lippman To Be Married

Mr. and Mrs. Max Lippman announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Bernice Lippman, to Benjamin Goldblatt, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Goldblatt, Portsmouth, Va.

The prospective bridegroom was graduated from the University of Maryland School of Pharmacy. The wedding will take place in Washington next January 27.

Dr. Douglass Reads Rites

Dr. Paul F. Douglass, president of American University, officiated at the marriage on Saturday of Miss Mildred Cowan and Herbert N. Blair. The ceremony took place at Dr. Douglass' residence on the campus.

Town Talk—

Happiness, Christmas Cheer Abound At Home of Colonel and Mrs. Bruce

By Eva Hinton

HAPPINESS is like the circles which go out and out from a stone dropped in a clear pool of water, circles which could reach infinity if no prosaic dry land got in the way.

The David Bruces radiated that kind of happiness to their friends the other snowy dusk when they dispensed delicious, creamy eggnog very informally at their house in Georgetown. Lovely Mrs. Bruce in a simple black frock looked more and more pleased as successive guests arrived.

Colonel Bruce kept popping out to the kitchen and returning with a silver dish full of piping-hot, miniature cod-fish balls in which he took such a personal interest that I almost believed him when he said he'd just whipped them up himself.

Macgill James, whose delightful wife is a cousin of Colonel Bruce, urged egg nog on everyone with a true Marylander's pride in Maryland concoctions. The dining-room table had been moved away from the center of the room and Colonel Bruce remarked that maybe now someone would be able to find the bell under the carpet.

Standing under the crystal chandelier, I was chatting with the Hon. Reginald Winn of the British Embassy and his amusing wife when I became conscious of a benign, white-haired, colored butler hovering at my elbow.

"No more eggnog, thank you." I said absent-mindedly, at least 11 times.

As he didn't take "no" for an answer, I finally turned around to discover just why I rated so much attention. He wasn't offering me eggnog at all, just merely saying would I PLEASE get off the bell.

WHILE Mrs. Winn was telling me her plans for moving up from Mirador, the famous Langhorne place in Virginia, she was greeted by her brother-in-law, Ronald Tree. The Winns have taken the Cabot Lodges' house on P st. for the rest of the winter.

Among the Bruces' guests were former Undersecretary of State and Mrs. William Phillips, who live just across the street; Mrs. J. Borden Harriman, Mrs. Robert Woods Bliss, Col. and Mrs. William P. Maddox and Andre de Limur.

Mr. and Mrs. George Angus Garrett were there, she wearing a most becoming hat with pink satin bows. Mrs. Truxtun Beale came by on her way to a dinner party and others who helped make the party one of the nicest of the Christmas season were Mrs. Harold Coolidge, Prof. and Mrs. Bruce Hopper, Mr. and Mrs. Atherton Richards, Mrs. Arthur Fowler, Mr. and Mrs. Kuo, and Mrs. Turner McBaine.

PRETTY AND popular Mrs. Alexander Hamilton was the cause of much entertaining when she was visiting Mrs. Kent Legare last week. Mrs. Hamilton was converted to Washington as a place to live when her husband was stationed here during the war and she comes down from New York often. Among those entertaining for her during her visit were Mrs. Legare, Mrs. Hugh D. Auchincloss and Mrs. Arthur Fowler.

MOST ORIGINAL Christmas card to fall through my letter-slot is from British Lieut. Col. John Max-Muller and his pretty American wife. It is a map of London showing their flat and the colonel's office and giving the address of each with the legend, "The Max-Mullers wish you a merry Christmas and hope in 1946 to see you in London."

That is to say, Colonel Max-Muller's job in Washington is completed and he will take his American war bride to England and civilian life.

Chinese Girl Is Betrothed To Engineer

At a tea given Saturday at their home in New Haven, Conn., Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Leng announced the engagement of Miss Lily T'ang, Canton, China, and New Haven, to Ting-Lin Shang, Hopei, China.

The bride-elect, an instructor of Chinese in the department of Oriental studies at Yale University, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Shao-Shiang Tang, Tientsin. She was graduated from Yenching University in China and has also studied in the department of drama at Mount Holyoke College and at the University of North Carolina.

Mr. Shang is the son of Gen. Chen Shang, chief of the Chinese Military Mission in Washington. He has studied aeronautical engineering in both Germany and Switzerland and is at present employed with a firm which is under contract to the Chinese Aeronautical Commission.

Mr. and Mrs. Leng, who announced the engagement, are lifelong friends of Mr. Shang's family The wedding will take place in New Haven sometime in February.

They Admit to Overeating Only When Confronted by Evidence

By Ida Jean Kain

Trying to convince a woman she eats too much when she knows full well that the whole trouble is "glands," is just a waste of time, according to dietitians in weight clinics. They ask their would-be-slimmer patients to keep a diet diary for three days and jot down the various foods on which they would like to know the calorie score. They are also asked to answer a few incidental questions, including, what do you eat for breakfast? Do you drink milk or buttermilk? Do you eat three regular meals a day?

The reports are surprising similar. Most overweights do not eat breakfast. They do not drink milk and they wouldn't dream of eating three meals a day. But after the calories are added up in the diet diaries, the patients can usually see that there does seem to be some connection between what they eat and what they weigh.

Candy Before Breakfast

One woman who was emphatic about never eating breakfast, and never touched potatoes, admitted that she often ate several pieces of candy before having her breakfast coffee.

But most overweights have nothing except coffee in the morning—two cups. With cream and sugar? the dietitian asks at this point. Oh, yes, with cream and sugar.

Another overweight whose diet diary seemed a bit scanty in comparison to her weight, freely admitted that she didn't list the bread, and added that she didn't think it was necessary since she never ate anything but toasted whole wheat bread. One average slice of whole wheat bread contains from 70 to 75 calories. White contains about 78. And toasting it doesn't cut the calories.

Slice It Thin

Under diet restrictions, one overweight noted that she used thinly sliced bread so she could have twice as many slices for the same number of calories. With butter? inquired the dietitian. Well, you can't eat bread without butter, our dieter answered.

And you'd be astonished at the variety of food on which they want the calorie score . . . mince pie, a 3-inch cut, 400 calories. Waffles? 225 per waffle, not counting the butter or syrup. Club soda? None. But what goes with it contains powerful calories. Cola beverages? 75 calories per bottle. Ginger ale, 75 calories per 8-ounce bottle. A half-pound box of chocolates? One thousand four hundred and forty calories.

Pallie Oxford, John Gatling Are Married

After a wedding trip, Mr. and Mrs. John Morris Gatling will make their home in Washington.

Their marriage took place Saturday at the Foundry Methodist Church, with the Rev. Frederick Brown Harris officiating at the 11 a. m. service.

The bride is the former Miss Pallie Oxford, daughter of Mrs. Paralee Pendleton Oxford and the late A. T. Oxford, Stephenville, Tex. Mr. Gatling is son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward L. Gatling, Windsor, N. C. For her wedding, the bride chose a suit of gray wool, matching accessories and a corsage of orchids. Miss Lorraine Kalligher was maid of honor, wearing an autumn brown dress and corsage of brown and yellow orchids. Stanley Shanner served as best man.

Immediately following the ceremony a reception took place at the Willard Hotel.

The bride is a graduate of John Tarleton College, Stephenville, Tex., and for the past four years has been employed at the War Department. Mr. Gatling received his degrees at Wake Forest College in North Carolina. Before coming to Washington he practiced law in Windsow, N. C., and is now principal and enrolling clerk of the United States Senate.

Ration Points

December 24, 1945

SUGAR: Stamp 38 good through December 31. Next stamp valid January 1.

Mr., Mrs. Mark Are Hosts

Mr. and Mrs. George Marx were hosts at a dinner Friday night when they entertained a large company of friends in the Federal room of the Statler Hotel.

Farm Prosperity

By Roger W. Babson

Over-All Outlook Still Favorable

Some weeks ago I commented in this column on the 1945 domestic crop outlook. At that time I predicted another total bumper production. Now the final figures, in most instances, show I was 100 per cent correct. Farmers' barns, bins and other storage facilities literally are bulging with the harvest. In fact, the total crop outturn is only a little below the record productions of 1942 and 1944.

Above-avcrage yields were the rule for wheat, oats, rice, barley, sweet potatoes, buckwheat, tobacco, sugar cane, peaches, pears, oranges, grapefruit, almonds, hops, and truck crops. Near record crops are reported for hay, Irish potatoes, flaxseed, soybeans, peanuts, pecans, walnuts and grapes. The corn and sorghum grain crops also are lusty.

All is not so rosy, however, as the paragraph above might seem to indicate. Housewives interested in fall and spring housecleaning should take note that the broomcorn crop is the smallest since 1939! Lovers of apples and sour cherries will have to get by with the smallest crops on record. Textile manufacturers seeking long-staple, high-quality cotton must make their selection from the skimpiest crop in many years—this in the face of heavy mill requirements. The dried bean crop is short, but larger supplies of meat and poultry should be an offsetting factor. The rye crop is sharply below normal.

Nevertheless, the over-all picture remains definitely favorable. Farmers, in my opinion, have no cause for complaint. In fact, they have fared unusually well during the past few years of large crops and high prices. This is evidenced by the fact that cash receipts from farm marketings rose steadily from $7,877,000,000 in 1939 to a tenative figure of $20,400,000,000 in 1945. That is not chicken feed. It may well mark a peak in farm income over the foreseeable future.

I do not mean to imply by this statement that the agricultural outlook over the next year or two is unfavorable. Farmers ought to do very well by themselves at least during 1946 and 1947. In this connection, do not overlook the fact that the Government is committed to the support of farm prices at 90 per cent of parity for two years after official declaration of war's end. If Uncle Sam is able to carry out his promise, and crop yields are good, farmers can look forward to at least two more years of prosperity. After that, the going is likely to get tougher.

The war years have left a large void of consumer goods in rural, as well as urban, areas. Farmers should prove to be the best customers next year of many distributors. Sellers of general merchandise should do well. The big mail-order houses especially should prosper. To most farm families the mail-order catalogues are second in importance only to the Bible. However, I hope the latter will continue to occupy the place of honor, and support, as only it can do, the sturdy integrity and morality of America's millions of farm homes.

Farm areas offer lush fields also to manufacturers and distributors of farm equipment and supplies. The need is so great that this business should not be hard to get, although the biggest rewards will go to those concerns who get there "the fustest with the mostest." I think the outlook also is favorable for distributors and manufacturers of electrical appliances, provided they are equipped to reach the farm market. Since farm production is likely to continue large next year, fertilizer producers and distributors should enjoy good business. Lumber and other building materials should be in good demand in rural areas in 1946.

Farm land values have zoomed and may go still higher; but, in my opinion, are reaching vulnerable levels. Farmers, in the flush of their current prosperity, should not over-extend and should stay out of debt as much as possible. Owners of speculative farm land should consider shifting into good urban real estate or other assets such as sound securities. The farm land boom will not last forever.

Posner Family Return

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Posner and their family, who have been living in New York for the past year, have returned to Washington, where they will make their home.

Prince Georges School Plans Nearly Drawn

Plans for a $400,000, 12-classroom junior-senior high school at Upper Marlboro (Md.). are nearly completed, it was learned yesterday.

The building will include a gymnasium, auditorium, cafeteria, library and shops, according to present plans, said G. Gardner Shugart, county school superintendent.

Shugart hopes to advertise for bids early next year and have construction get underway in the spring or early summer.

The building will be erected near Rectory lane and Crain highway. The present high school will be used as an elementary school when the project is completed.

The Marlboro project is onet link in the chain of school expansions planned throughout the country. The board of education has authority to issue $1,300,000 in bonds for the program. It has sold $200,000 of this amount and plans are being made for another issue early next year.

Also scheduled to start in the spring is construction of additions to the Cheverly-Tuxedo, Oxon Hill and Landover Hills elementary schools.

Shugart also told of long range plans for a central high school to accommodate students from Greenbelt, College Park, Berwyn Heights, Riverdale, Hyattsville and Mount Rainier.

Mrs. Rockwell To Quit Red Cross At End of Year

Berkeley Springs, W. Va., Dec. 23. After 15 years of service to the county as chairman of the Morgan County Chapter of the Red Cross, Mrs. LeRoy Rockwell will quit at the end of the year.

Mrs. Rockwell has been an active member of the Red Cross for 25 years. Chapter officers announced that the Rev. James Blanton, pastor of the Presbyterian Church, has accepted the chairmanship.

Other officers of the chapter are Miss Mary Horn, vice chairman; Mrs. Henry Rowland, secretary; H. N. Gorrell, treasurer; Mrs. Robert Newcomer, home service director; Mrs. Hugh Campbell, production chairman and Mrs. Drew Taylor, publicity chairman.

The Iowa Poll

86% WILLING TO EAT LESS TO HELP FEED EUROPEANS

DES MOINES, IOWA—Perhaps in harmony with the spirit of Christmas 86% of Iowans are willing to get along on wartime amounts of food to help feed the hungry in war-torn Europe, THE IOWA POLL finds. In a similar survey in May, the percentage was 80.

Asked if they would be willing to get along on about the same amount of meat and other foods under rationing to help feed hungry Europeans, Iowans replied:

	Total May	Total Dec.	December Men	December Women
Yes	65%	69%	64%	74%
Yes, qualified	15	17	16	17
Total Yes	80	86	80	91
No	15	11	15	8
No opinion	5	3	5	1

The 17% above who quality "yes" name butter and sugar as the main exceptions.

When Iowans were asked whether they expected trouble in Germany because food, shelter and fuel will be scarce, they divided thus:

	Total	Men	Women
Yes	77%	74%	79%
No	13	17	10
No opinion	10	9	11

Comparing divided control in Germany with unified control in Japan, Iowans believe strongly that the system under McArthur is working better:

	Total	Men	Women
Germany	10%	9%	12%
Japan	63	70	56
No opinion	27	21	32

As additional background the following is significant: *"Which is more important: to get our men home from Europe quickly, or to be sure that we have enough troops to keep order in Germany?"*

	Total	Men	Women
Get men home	20%	17%	23%
Keep order in Germany	76	79	73
No opinion	4	4	4

Of those with relatives in the armed forces in Europe, 73% prefer being sure of Germany's control before rushing troops home.

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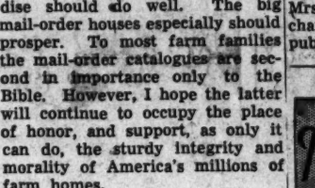
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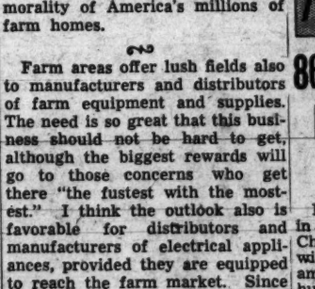

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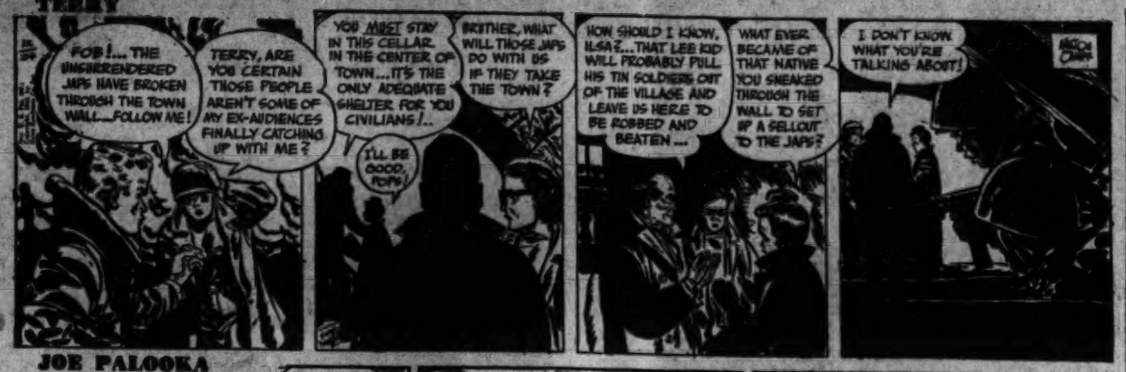
DON'T WAIT—ACT NOW

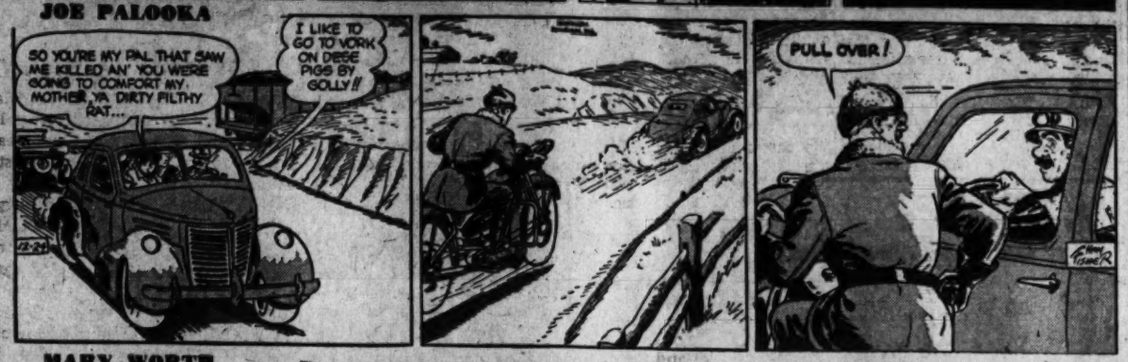
TERRY


POP!... THE UNSURRENDERED JAPS HAVE BROKEN THROUGH THE TOWN WALL...FOLLOW ME!
TERRY, ARE YOU CERTAIN THOSE PEOPLE AREN'T SOME OF MY EX-AUDIENCES FINALLY CATCHING UP WITH ME?
YOU MUST STAY IN THIS CELLAR. IN THE CENTER OF TOWN...IT'S THE ONLY ADEQUATE SHELTER FOR YOU CIVILIANS!..
I'LL BE GOOD, POP!
BROTHER, WHAT WILL THOSE JAPS DO WITH US IF THEY TAKE THE TOWN?
HOW SHOULD I KNOW, ILSA?...THAT LEE KID WILL PROBABLY PULL HIS TIN SOLDIERS OUT OF THE VILLAGE AND LEAVE US HERE TO BE ROBBED AND BEATEN...
WHAT EVER BECAME OF THAT NATIVE YOU SNEAKED THROUGH THE WALL TO SET UP A SELLOUT TO THE JAPS?
I DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT!

DOTTY

DOTTY, WE HAD A CHRISTMAS TREE AT THE OFFICE--AND LOOK WHAT I GOT!
12-24
WHAT IS IT?
LOOKS LIKE SOMETHING TO WEAR--I'LL TRY IT ON!
OH, DOTTY! I MUST HAVE GOT THE WRONG PACKAGE!

JOE PALOOKA


SO YOU'RE MY PAL THAT SAW ME KILLED AN' YOU WERE GOING TO COMFORT MY MOTHER, YA DIRTY FILTHY RAT...
I LIKE TO GO TO YORK ON DESE PIGS BY GOLLY!!
PULL OVER!

MARY WORTH

SO THE BIG STUPE'S GONNA HOLD STILL FOR THE SHAKEDOWN?--GONNA WRITE ME A BLANK CHECK TO COVER "A FEW LITTLE BILLS" BEFORE WE GET SPLICED?
"I'LL BRING THE CHECK TOMORROW", HE SAYS! OKAY, TEACHER! I'LL HAVE MY HOMEWORK DONE!
LET'S SEE... POOCHIE $60... PLUS LINGERIE, 325.00... PLUS SHOES...
BILLS, BILLS!--THIS TOWN'S INCOMING MAIL SURE TOOK A JUMP WHEN I LANDED HERE!
AND CHICHI WOULD BE EVEN MORE INTERESTED IN A PIECE OF OUTGOING MAIL!
12-24-45

MYRTLE

HEY, SAMPSON! COME ON OUT!
GEE WHITH, MYRTLE, I'VE GOT TO GO TO BED BEFORE THE LITTLE FAIRIES COME TO DECORATE MY CHRISTMAS TREE!
THAT BOY ISN'T GETTING ALL HIS VITAMINS!
12-24

MICKEY FINN

ISN'T IT WONDERFUL, MA--WHAT MISS TITE IS GOING TO DO TO "SWAMP TOWN"? IT CERTAINLY IS, MICHAEL! AND TO THINK THAT IT WAS PHILIP WHO INFLUENCED HER TO DO IT!
UNCLE PHIL WAS AWFUL, LUCKY, MA! HE MIGHT HAVE KILLED HER BROTHER WITH THAT VASE--INSTEAD OF CURING HIM! DO YOU THINK THE BROTHER IS REALLY CURED, MICKEY? HE HARDLY SAID A WORD WHEN THEY WERE HERE!
THE DOCTOR SAID HE'S POSITIVELY OKAY, FLOSSIE--THAT IT WAS JUST ONE OF THOSE MIRACLES THAT SOMETIMES HAPPEN! HMMM--I WISH SOMEBODY WOULD WORK A MIRACLE FOR ME--SO THAT TOM COULD BE HERE TOMORROW-
IS ANYBODY HOME?

DIXIE DUGAN

'T WAS THE NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS--AND ALL THRU THE HOUSE--NOT A CREATURE WAS STIRRING--NOT EVEN A MOUSE
THE STOCKINGS WERE HUNG BY THE CHIMNEY WITH CARE--IN HOPES THAT SAINT NICHOLAS SOON WOULD BE THERE--
AH--TH'DUGANS NO DOUBT!!
SAINT NICK!
RIGHT ON CUE, TOO!

CHIEF WAHOO and STEVE ROPER

HULA-CLUB
STUFFY!--LOOK!... SQUAW VELVET O'DARE JUST TAKE UM TAXI--GIVE UM TEPEE NUMBER 2--0-4-9 WILDWOOD COURT!
SLICK SLEUTHIN, CHIEF! LET'S GET ROLLIN'!
Meanwhile--IN A LAKESIDE COTTAGE-
WELL, WELL! A SECRET ROOM BEHIND THE BAR! FULL OF QUAINT QUIRKS, AREN'T YOU, BLOWTORCH?
BUTTON YER YAP AN' COME IN HERE, ROPER! AN' DON'T TRY ANY TRICKS! LOVING CUP'LL BE RIGHT BEHIND YA WITH A ROD!
WELL! WHATTA YA SAY?
I'D SAY YOU HAVE A COMPLETE PHOTO-ENGRAVING PLANT HERE! JUST A HOBBY?

WINNIE WINKLE

YOU MEAN TO SAY YOU AND GEORGE GYPPER ACTUALLY ORGANIZED A SANTA CLAUS UNION?
WELL, NO--ER--WE WAS ONLY THINKIN' OF IT!
FOR SHAME!! YOU'RE JUST AS BIG A CROOK AS GYPPER IS!!
I NEVER HEARD OF SUCH A LOW-DOWN TRICK TO PLAY ON THE POOR LITTLE KIDDIES!!
THAT'S JES' WHAT I TOLD GEORGE--
WHY, RIP, YOU SWEET OL' GOOD-FOR-NOTHIN'!
FATHER! YOU DARLING!!

KING OF THE ROYAL MOUNTED

UNABLE TO PREVENT HIS PRISONER FROM EXCHANGING THEIR CLOTHING, KING TOSSES RESTLESSLY ON HIS SICK-BED...
RIP'S A...A...KILLER!..WHAT IF HE COMMITS...ANOTHER...CRIME... WHILE...WEARING...MY... UNIFORM?...
AND AT THIS INSTANT, RIP STANDS OVER THE LIFELESS BODIES OF THREE MINERS!
THIS TIME CRIME IS REALLY GONNA PAY! HA-HA-HA!
BUT...
RED COAT MAN HIM GO MAD!..MURDER MINERS!..WHAT I DO NOW?

Today's Radio Programs

MONDAY — WASHINGTON — E.S.T.

THE WASHINGTON POST
Monday, December 24, 1945

	WMAL 630	WRC 980	WOL 1260	WINX 1340	WWDC 1450	WTOP 1500
	Prelude, 6:05-7. News, 6, 7 and 8:30. Wills, 7:45. Town Clock, (Trafton Robertson) 7:10-9.	Bill Herson, 6:05-9. World Roundup, 8. News at 6, 7, 7:30 and 8:30. Weather, 6:31.	News, 6, 6:30, 7, 7:30, 8. Top O' the Morning, 5:30. Fun at Breakfast, 7:05. The Paiges, 8:30.	News, 6, 7, 8. Jerry Strong, Wake Up With WINX, 6:05-9	Hunnicutt, 6-9. Devotions, 6:45; News, 6, 6:30, 7, 7:30, 8:15, 8:45.	Cora Squeezing Time, 5:45-6:45. Godfrey, 7 to 9:15. Hours, 6:45, 7:30 and 8. Mahoney, 7:40.
9 :00	Breakfast Club	Fun and Folly	News; Musical Clock	News; Music	Cleanup Quiz	News, Godfrey
:15	(Don McNeill)	With Ed East & Polly	Texas Rangers	Music in the Air	Capt. Cash Club	Arthur Godfrey
:30	(Jack Owen)	News; Melodies	Marshall Adams	Music Reveille	" "	"
:45	(Nancy Martin)	Broadway Melodies	" "	" "	Bing Crosby	Home Service Daily
10 :00	My True Story	Robert St. John	News; Billy Repaid	News; Music Hall	Open House	Valiant Lady
:15	" "; News	Lora Lawton	Faith in Our Time	Music "	" "	Light of the World
:30	Church Hymns	Road of Life	Round the Town	" "	News; Open House	Evelyn Winters
:45	One Woman's Opin'n	Joyce Jordan	Tommy Johnson Plays	" "	Open House	Bachelor's Children
11 :00	Breakfast With	Fred Waring	Cecil Brown	News; Symphony	Blessed Eventer	Amanda
:15	Brenneman	" "	Elsa Maxwell	Ravel's	Tuffy Topics	Second Husband
:30	Ruth Crane	Barry Cameron	Take It Easy Time	Mother Goose Suite	Today's Prize Show	A Woman's Life
:45	" "	David Harum	Victor Lindlahr	(Barlow)	Christmas Carols	Aunt Jenny
12 :00	News, Evans	News; Improvisations	News, Lang	WINX News	Password Please	Kate Smith Speaks
:15	Ted Malone	Look to This Day	Morton Downey	Movie Snapshots	" "	Big Sister
:30	Glamour Manor	Malinee Today	Rich'd Maxwell, Songs	Latin Touch	News; Missing Persons	Helen Trent
:45	" "	" "	Swing Time	Luncheon Lyrics	Lef's Sing	Our Gal Sunday
1 :00	Baukage Talking	Nancy Osgood	News; Billy Repaid	News; Bouquets	All Sports Parade	Life Can Be Beautiful
:15	Constance Bennett	" "	Easy Rhythms	Musical Bouquets	Tony Wakeman	Ma Perkins
:30	Music Box	Santa Really Is	Xmas Overseas	" "	All Sports Parade	Young Dr. Malone
:45	(Trafton Robertson)	Morgan Beatty	John J. Anthony	" "	Tony Wakeman	Road of Life
2 :00	(Ida Clark)	Guiding Light	Cedric Foster	News; Rhythm	All Sports Parade	Two on a Clue
:15	" "	Today's Children	Jane Cowl	Spotlight on Rhythm.	Tony Wakeman	Perry Mason
:30	Pasadena Boy Choir	Woman in White	Queen for a Day	Walter Salb, Organist	All Sports Parade	Rosemary
:45	Accent on Music	Church Hymns	" "	" "	Tony Wakeman	Tena and Tim
3 :15	Al Pearce	Woman of America	WOL Open House	News; Tea for Two	All Sports Parade	Aunt Mary
:15	" "	Ma Perkins	(Russ Hodges, Dale	Tea for Two	Tony Wakeman	Janice Gray
:30	Accent on Music	Pepper Young's Family	Morgan; Variety Music,	" " "	All Sports Parade	News; Evans
:45	Ladies be Seated	Right to Happiness	News, Sports)	" " "	Tony Wakeman	Easy Aces
4 :00	Jack Berch Show	Backstage Wife	Erskine Johnson	St. oseph's Home	All Sports Parade	G.E. House Party
:15	Accent on Music	Stella Dallas	WOL Open House	And School Choir	Tony Wakeman	" " ; News
:30	News, Evans	Lorenzo Jones	" " "	" " "	All Sports Parade	Stump Us Club
:45	Hop Harrigan	Young Widow Brown	" " "	Jam for Supper	Tony Wakeman	"
5 :00	Pres. Truman Lights	Pres. Truman Lights	Pres. Truman Lights	Pres. Truman Lights	Pres. Truman Lights	Pres. Truman Lights
:15	White House	White House Tree	White House Tree	White House Tree	White House Tree	White House Tree
:30	Jack Armstrong	Just Plain Bill	Captain Midnight	Music Hall	News; Theater	News; City Desk
:45	Tennessee Jed	Front Page Farrell	Tom Mix	" "	of the Air	Factfinder
6 :00	Evans; Agronsky	News; Leif Eid	News; Warner; Music	WINX News	News; Melody Lane	Mahony, Costello
:15	Kenny Baker; Sports	Musicade	So the Story Goes	Cleanup Time; Strong	Melody Lane	Jimmy Carroll Sings,
:30	Earl Godwin	" ; Bergman	Johnson Family	Bob Wolff, Sports	Sports; News	"6:30 Show"
:45	Singing Sam	Lowell Thomas	Russ Hodges	Twilight Tales	Supper Club	News; World Today
7 :00	Headline Edition	Chesterfield Club	Fulton Lewis, Jr.	News; G.W. Univ.	Romantic Rendezvous	Mommie and the Man
:15	Raymond Swing	World News	Symphonic Swing	Choral Club	Eddie Rogers' Orch.	Jack Smith
:30	The Lone Ranger	Stringtime	Frank Singiser, News	" " "	News with Austed	Thanks to the Yanks
:45	" "	H. V. Kaltenborn	Inside of Sports	Walter Salb, Organist	Alice Lane.	" " "
8 :00	Lum 'n' Abner	Cavalcade of America	Bulldog Drummond	News; Waltzes	St. Mary's Novena	"Vox Pop"
:15	Hedda Hopper	" "	" "	Waltzes	" "	" "
:30	Ben Hecht Show	Voice of Firestone	Sherlock Holmes	Rimsky-Korsakoff's	News; 1450 Club	Joan Davis Show with
:45	" "	" "	" "	"Christmas Eve"	Jackson Lowe	Andy Russell; News
9 :00	Musical Fantasy	Telephone Hour	News, G. Heatter	News; Symphony	News; 1450 Club	Lux Radio Theater
:15	" "	" "	Real Life Stories	Prokofieff's	Jackson Lowe	" "
:30	Invitation to Listen	Information Please	Spotlight Band	"Peter and the Wolf"	News; 1450 Club	" "
:45	" ;Coronet	" "	" "	(Serge)	Jackson Lowe	" "
10 :00	Iron & Steel Inst.	Contented Program	This Lands of Ours	News; Music by	News; Xmas Eve Show	Screen Guild Players
:15	" "	" "	The "Messiah"	Eddie Duchin	Christmas Eve Show	" "
:30	Xmas Eve Party at	Dr. I. Q.	" "	Charles Lindbergh	News; Super Session	Crime Photographer
:45	Birmingham Hosp.	" "	" "	Gaslight Galeties	Super Session	" "
11 :00	News, Evans	News; Music	Voice of Washington	WINX News	News; MacFarlane	News; Daly & Sevareid
:15	Hours of Dreams	Harkness	Fulton Lewis jr.	Musical Roundup	Eddie Rogers' Orch.	Arch McDonald's
:30	" " "	Cricket on the	Christmas Music	"Christmas Eve"	Carols From	Moondial
:45	" " "	Hearth; Traubel	" "	" "	St. Patrick's	Feature Story

W3XO—F. M. — 43200 K.C.

7:00 p. m.—Dance Music	9:00 p. m.—Easy Listening
7:15 p. m.— " "	9:15 p. m.— " "
7:30 p. m.—Concert	9:30 p. m.— " "
7:45 p. m.— "	9:45 p. m.— " "
8:00 p. m.—News	10:00 p. m.—News
8:10 p. m.—Ballads	10:05 p. m.—Concert Hour
8:30 p. m.—Rimsky-Korsakoff's	10:30 p. m.— " "
:8:45 p. m.— "Christmas Eve"	10:45 p. m.— " "

SPECIAL CHRISTMAS EVE PROGRAM

Two fine choral groups sing Christmas hymns, and Frank Luther narrates two Christmas stories.

Tonight—11:30-12:00

WINX—1340 on your dial

CRANBERRY BOGGS

HERE SHE COMES--AN' IT'S MORE'N A SQUALL.
OH--WE SHALL CAPSIZE!
WE'VE GOT TA MAKE TH' LEE OF CAT TAIL ISLAND--AN' QUICK!
EEEII
LEGGO--OR WE'LL BOTH BE SPROUTIN' FINS IN DAVEY JONES' LOCKER!
WE DROWN--WE DROWN!!
MEANWHILE, AT THE COD CLIFFS HOSPITAL WITH UNCLE SNEEZER---
HMMM--
DOCTOR, WHAT IS TH' MATTER WITH HIM?

DONALD DUCK

PENNY

HOW MANY CHRISTMAS CARDS DID YOU SEND, FATHER?
ONE HUNDRED.
YOU ONLY GOT SIXTY FIVE FROM YOUR FRIENDS.
YOU DON'T SAY.
I HAVEN'T FOUND ANYBODY YET WHO GETS AS MANY AS HE SENDS.
BY GEORGE, I DON'T THINK ANYBODY EVER DOES!
IF EVERYBODY SENDS MORE THAN THEY RECEIVE WHERE DO THEY ALL GO?
REMIND ME TO WRITE OUR CONGRESSMAN ABOUT THAT!

SUPERMAN

FLASHING IN, THE MAN OF TOMORROW PREVENTS TWO AUTOS FROM COLLIDING...
SAVED BY--
-SUPERMAN!
ABOUT THE CITY OF METROPOLIS FLASHES THE MAN OF TOMORROW, SAVING LIVES AT BREATHLESS SPEED...
WITHIN AN APARTMENT...
I CAN'T LIVE WITHOUT TOM!
POISON! GOT TO PREVENT HER FROM SWALLOWING IT!

NAPOLEON

Died 1

BELL, LORENA HEDGEPETH. On Friday, December 21, 1945, at the residence of her daughter, 2802 Key blvd., Arlington, Va., LORENA HEDGEPETH BELL, beloved mother of Mrs. Elma Shipley (nee Clara Burton), Lloyd E. Bell of Dayton, Ohio; Jesse E. Bell of Arlington, Va.; Bradley J. and Howell Bell of Washington, D. C., and Allen F. Bell of New Orleans, La. Remains resting at the residence of her daughter until Monday, December 24, at 8 a. m.; thence to St. Charles' Catholic Church, Arlington, Va., where mass will be said at 8:30 a. m. for the repose of her soul. Interment National Memorial Park, Falls Church, Va.

BENN, JAMES ROBINSON. Suddenly on Thursday, December 20, 1945, at his residence, 5627 So. 3d st., Arlington, Va., JAMES ROBERTSON BENN, beloved husband of the late Laura Virginia Benn and father of John D., James R., William C. and Sergt. Charles D. Benn. He is also survived by two brothers, Matthew Benn of Sacramento, Calif., and George Benn of Parish, N. Dak. Remains resting at Ives funeral home, 2847 Wilson blvd., Arlington, Va., until Wednesday, December 26, at 10 a. m., thence to his late residence where funeral services will be held at 2 p. m. Interment National Memorial Park, Falls Church, Va.

BESLEY, GRACE ADELE. Early on Saturday, December 22, 1945, at Emergency Hospital, GRACE ADELE BESLEY, sister of Mrs. Wells A. Sherman, Miss Florence E. Besley of McLean, Va.; Mrs. James W. Murrell, Dr. Fred W. Besley of Baltimore, Md., and La Moree Besley of Halsey, Nebr. Services at the Vienna, Va., Presbyterian Church on Monday, December 24, at 11 a. m. Interment private.

BOYNTON, EMMA N. On Saturday, December 22, 1945, at her residence, 1523 Ogden st. nw., EMMA N. BOYNTON, wife of the late Charles A. Boynton and mother of Lewis T. and Henry D. Boynton. Remains resting at the S. H. Hines Co. funeral home, 2901 14th st. nw. Funeral services at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Rock Creek Church parish on Monday, December 24, at 3 p. m. Interment Rock Creek Cemetery.

COLLINS, THOMAS HENRY, SR. On Friday, December 21, 1945, THOMAS HENRY COLLINS, SR., beloved husband of Nannie L. Collins of 8400 Georgetown rd., Bethesda, Md. Funeral services at the Bethesda-Chevy Chase funeral home of Wm. Reuben Pumphrey Monday, December 24, at 10:30 a. m. Interment Rock Creek Cemetery.

CROUCH, MARY L. (May). On Thursday, December 20, 1945, at Providence Hospital, MARY L. (May) CROUCH of 3233 Mount View pl. se., the wife of the late Albert D. Crouch and the beloved mother of Albert A. Crouch and grandmother of Albert J. Crouch. Remains resting at Chambers funeral home, 517 11th st. se., until Monday, December 24, at 9 a. m., thence to St. Theresa's Catholic Church, 13th and V sts. se., where mass will be offered at 9:30 a. m. Interment Congressional Cemetery.

DAY, Tech. Sergt. LESLIE A. On Friday, December 21, 1945, at Bolling Field Hospital, Tech. Sergt. LESLIE A. DAY, the beloved husband of Arminta J. Day and father of Doris J. and Richard L. Day and son of Arthur L. and Clara V. Day, brother of Mrs. Bertha Kasulke, Mrs. Edith Auth, Mrs. Katherine Auth. Services at Chambers funeral home, 517 11th st. se., on Monday, December 24, at 10 a. m. Interment Episcopal Church Cemetery, Forestville, Md.

GARBELMAN, HENRY B. On Tuesday, December 18, 1945, at Tucson, Ariz., HENRY B. GARBELMAN, the beloved husband of Kathryn M. Garbelman and father of Joseph T., Helen Marie and Master Sergt. Paul B. Garbelman. Remains resting at Chambers funeral home, 517 11th st. se., after Sunday, December 23, 12 noon, until Monday, December 24, at 8:30 a. m.; thence to Holy Comforter Catholic Church, where mass will be offered for the repose of his soul at 9 a. m. Interment Arlington National Cemetery.

GRAVES, ERNEST R. On Friday, December 21, 1945, at Sibley Hospital, ERNEST R. GRAVES of 4135 New Hampshire ave. nw., beloved husband of Jane Graves and father of Ernest A. and James M. Graves. Services at the S. H. Hines Co. funeral home, 2901 14th st. nw., on Monday, December 24, at 2 p. m. Interment Arlington National Cemetery.

HEUMANN, BENNO. On Friday, December 21, 1945, BENNO HEUMANN, beloved husband of Rose Heumann. Funeral services at the Bernard Danzansky & Son funeral home, 3501 14th st. nw., on Monday, December 24, at 11 a. m. Interment Washington Hebrew Congregation Cemetery.

HOFFMAN, WILLIAM A. On Friday, December 21, 1945, WILLIAM A. HOFFMAN of Landover, Md., the beloved husband of Helen C. Hoffman. He is also survived by three sons and five daughters. Remains resting at the S. H. Hines funeral home, 2901 14th st. nw. Funeral services at Fort Myer, Va., on Monday, December 24, at 1 p. m. Interment Arlington National Cemetery.

LATHAM, PERSIE JULIAN. On Saturday, December 22, 1945, at his home, 709 Takoma ave., Takoma Park, Md., PERSIE JULIAN LATHAM, beloved husband of Edith L. S. Latham. Mr. Latham rests at the Warner E. Pumphrey funeral home, 8434 Georgia ave., Silver Spring, Md., where services will be held on Monday, December 24, at 2 p. m. Interment Rock Creek Cemetery.

LATHAM, P. JULIAN. A special conclave of Brightwood Commandery No. 6, K. T., is called on Monday, December 24, at 1 p. m., in Brightwood Masonic Temple for the purpose of attending the funeral of our deceased frater, Sir Knight P. JULIAN LATHAM.
SHERMAN W. JACK, Commander.
AMAZA A. LUDWIG, Recorder.

McCARTHY, JOHN JOSEPH. On Saturday, December 22, 1945, at Arlington County Hospital, JOHN JOSEPH McCARTHY of 4809 North Carlyn Spring rd., Arlington, Va., beloved husband of Carrie Sauer McCarthy and father of John C. McCarthy. He is survived by one granddaughter, Verna A. McCarthy; one sister, Mrs. Margaret Ragan of Washington, D. C.; two nephews, Joseph R. Ragan and Ormand McCarthy of Washington, D. C. Remains resting at Ives funeral home, 2847 Wilson blvd., Arlington, Va., until Wednesday, December 26, at 8 a. m., thence to St. Charles' Catholic Church, where mass will be said for the repose of his soul at 8:20 a. m. Interment Columbia Gardens Cemetery.

McCORMACK, JOHN F. Suddenly, on Saturday, December 22, 1945, JOHN F. McCORMACK, beloved husband of the late Hilda M. McCormack and father of John K. McCormack of the Society of Jesus. Funeral from his late residence, 1343 Shepherd st. ne., on Wednesday, December 26, at 8:30 a. m. High requiem mass at St. Aloysius Church at 9 a. m. Relatives and friends invited. Interment Mount Olivet Cemetery.

MOORE, THOMAS F. On Friday, December 21, 1945, THOMAS F. MOORE, son of Alice and the late Edward Moore and brother of Milton, Edward, John, Michael, James Henry Moore, Mrs. A. Spaulding, Mrs. John Sutphin and Mrs. J. P. Hurd. Services at the Saffell funeral home, 475 H st. nw., on Monday, December 24, at 9:45 a. m. Relatives and friends invited. Interment Arlington National Cemetery.

OATES, JAMES F. On Friday, December 21, 1945, at Gallinger Hospital, JAMES F. OATES, beloved husband of Alice Oates and brother of William J. Oates. Friends may call at his late residence, 1609 D st. se., where services will be held on Monday, December 24, at 11 a. m. Friends invited. Interment Cedar Hill Cemetery.

PROSISE, SARA M. On Saturday, December 22, 1945, SARA M. PROSISE, wife of the late Jesse D. Prosise. Services at the S. H. Hines Co. funeral home, 2901 14th st. nw., on Monday, December 24, at 9:30 a. m., thence to St. Patrick's Catholic Church, 10th and G sts. nw., where the holy sacrifice of the mass will be offered at 10 a. m. for the repose of her soul. Interment Congressional Cemetery.

RECTOR, BLUCHER WILLIS (SID). On Saturday, December 22, 1945, at Mount Alto Hospital, BLUCHER WILLIS (SID) RECTOR of 3701 14th st. ne., beloved husband of Thelma Mills Rector and father of Cornelia Mills Rector. Services at the S. H. Hines Co. funeral home, 2901 14th st. nw., on Monday, December 24, at 1 p. m. Interment private.

SHEEHAN, JOHN F., SR. On Saturday, December 22, 1945, at his residence, 300 S st. ne., JOHN F. SHEEHAN, Sr., beloved husband of the late Bridget Sheehan. Funeral from the above residence on Monday, December 24, at 9 a. m. Requiem mass at St. Martin's Church at 9:30 a. m. Relatives and friends invited. Interment St. Mary's Cemetery. Arrangements by P. A. Taltavull.

VAUGHN, FRANCES LOUISE. On Friday, December 21, 1945, FRANCES LOUISE VAUGHN, beloved wife of the late John Vaughn and mother of Jo Ann Vaughn; daughter of George A. and Mary Florence and sister of Mrs. Hazel Bickerton, George T. and Paul R. Florence. Remains resting at Chambers' Riverdale funeral home until Monday, December 24, at 9:30 a. m. Mass at St. Anthony's Catholic Church at 10 a. m. Interment Fort Lincoln Cemetery.

Nearby Troops Arrive in U. S. From Overseas

These names were telegraphed directly to The Washington Post by the Associated Press. There is no assurance that the list is correct, because it was compiled in Europe and at Pacific bases previous to embarkation, but officials said that the margin of error is slight. Relatives should not contact the port or The Washington Post for further information.

On General McRae

New York, Dec. 23.—Arrivals aboard the General McRae, due here today from Karachi, India, are scheduled to include:

WASHINGTON

Horne, Sergt. Fred 1326 Harbridge st.
Davis, Sergt. Rufus, 409 N st.
Walker, Corpl. Theodore.
Smith, T/5 Edward E., 310 Q st.
Anderson, Pfc. Pershing 2317 N st.
Young, Pfc. Solomon, 1743 S st.
Cruse, Pvt. Ames F., 2407 Shannon st.
Donaldson, T/Sergt. William E., 127 36th st.
Franger, Maj. Alexander, 1466 Columbia rd.
Doerschler, T/5 Edgar E., 1027 Flower.
Howhoie, Robert, 1310 9th st.

VIRGINIA

Connellee, Pfc. John H., Warsaw.
Dean, Pfc. James A., Richmond.
Morris, Pfc. Josiah, Free Union.
Dembach, S/Sergt. Alfred H., Claremont.
Bundy, T/4 James L., Norfolk.
Brown, T/5 Joseph R., Portsmouth.
Jones, T/5 Colman F.
Poland, T/5 Robert C., Roundhill.
Rosenburg, T/5 Marshall S., Norfolk.
Sheffer, T/5 Forest, Staunton.
Brady, M/Sergt. Charles S., Richmond.
Anderson, T/3 Conway, Route 5, Alexandria.
Ervin, Pfc. Harry, Hot Springs.
Lukhard, Pvt. Basil M., Richmond.
Ashby, T/Sergt. Buckner, jr., Charlottesville.
Meyer, T/Sergt. Sidney, Richmond.
Richards, T/Sergt. Carroll J., Salem.
Broyles, S/Sergt. Cara C., Staunton.
Cooper, S/Sergt. Ernest S., Elina.
Gunst, S/Sergt. Albert M., Richmond.
Rector, S/Sergt. Dan H., Galax.
Thomasson, S/Sergt. William D., Richmond.
Williams, S/Sergt. Murray L., Falmouth.
Buckhannon, Sergt. Joseph F., Clarksburg.
Nack, Sergt. William, Petersburg.
Wright, Sergt. John W., Bedford.
Armstrong, T/Millard N., Deerfield.
Wood, T/4 George R., Norfolk.
Waldrop, Corpl. William W., Mannboro.
Wanger, T/5 Joseph O., Harrisonburg.
Ashburn, S/Sergt. William A., Gwynn.
Fugate, Corpl. Arvel W., Norton.
Ricks, Pfc. Tony, Burdette.
Naden, Pfc. Lonzo H., Roanoke.
Johnson, Pvt. Zacharia, Sandston.
Williams, Pvt. Russell M., jr., Richmond.
Parmer, S/Sergt. Everett W., Danville.
Glascock, S/Sergt. William H., Alexandria.
Kirby, S/Sergt. Marion L., Warrenton.
Will, Sergt. Roy W., Mount Crawford.
Ashman, Maj. Raymond P., Luray.
Chilton, Pfc. William E., Charleston.
Hobbs, T/Sergt. Clark, Manassas.
Cambbe, S/Sergt. Raymond W., Alexandria.
Maddox, Sergt. George, Kendridge.
Flores, First Lieut. Manuel, sr., Bluefield.
Marks, Pfc. John, McKenney.
Sollon, Capt. Norman, Petersburg.
Brooks, M/Sergt. James D., Arlington.
Andrews, Pfc. Jewel L., Java.
Williams, Pfc. Payton E., Crewe.

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Scothe, S/Sergt. Thomas J., Cumberland.
Hanzook, T/3 John, Brooklyn.
Leatherman, Sergt. George E., Hagerstown.
Ennis, T/5 Lloyd M., Salisbury.
Newlin, T/Sergt. Charles R., Fort Meade.
Beitler, Sergt. Henry A., Hagerstown.
Brooks, Corpl. Wilson, Darnestown.
Marshall, Corpl. William P., St. Marys.
Terwilliger, Corpl. Robert C., Brentwood.
Nair, T/5 Roy E., Oakland.
Isaac, Pfc. Andy, Spencerville.
Mierley, Sergt. Leroy E., Takoma Park.

Aboard James Kelly

San Francisco, Dec. 23.—Arrivals aboard the James Kelly, which has been delayed and is due at Honolulu tomorrow, are scheduled to include:

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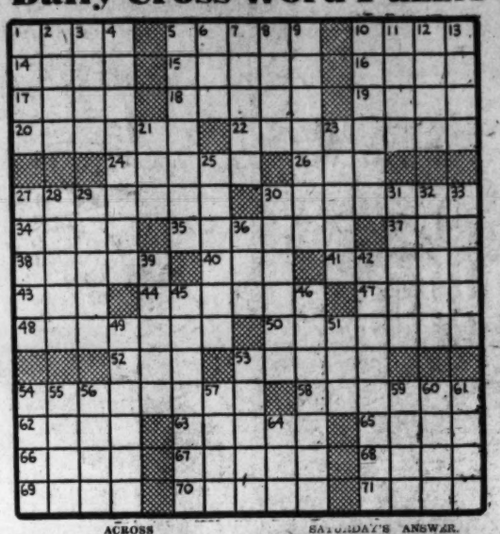
Plack, Pfc. Lawrence E., 1015 14th st. nw.

Daily Cross Word Puzzle



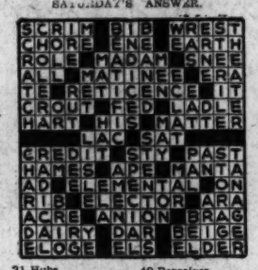
ACROSS

1 Ocean transport
5 Confined
10 Cabbage salad
14 Assaitants
15 Appetizing fruit
16 Spirit
17 Mirth
18 Merrymaking
19 Black
20 Follows stealthily
22 Bursting forth
24 Heads
26 Breach
27 Shorten
30 Tranquilized
34 Understands
35 Places in surrounding matter
37 Farewell
38 Shuts noisily
40 Paddle
41 Asylum
43 Graceful tree
44 Pursued
47 Tendency
48 Masonry checkerworks
50 Checks
52 Edible fish
53 Scoff
54 The fiery cross
58 Spread out ungracefully
62 Pitches
63 Mocks
65 Neighborhood
66 Unfounded
67 Summon forth
68 Bound
69 Eccentric ideas
70 Restrain
71 Whirlpool

DOWN

1 Falls gracefully
2 Sword handle
3 Product of reflection
4 Defective pronunciation
5 Bouquet worn by women
6 English country festival
7 Donates
8 Continually
9 Inundated
10 Vast treeless tract
11 Rounded projection
12 Presently
13 Departed
21 Sheep tick
23 Fen
25 Evil spirits
27 Resource
28 Reigning beauty
29 Countersinks
30 Silken
31 Hubs
32 Incident
33 Slight depressions
36 Flying mammal
39 Thin covering
42 Diverge
45 Short of the full measure of its contents
46 Article of furniture
49 Perceives
51 Corded fabric
53 Wooden shoe
54 Open receptacle for grains
55 Drove
56 Proficient
57 Cleave
59 Barren
60 Economically useless plant
61 Titled woman
64 Augment bit by bit.

SATURDAY'S ANSWER.



Javanese Raid Hospital, Kill 3, Dutch Report

Batavia, Java, Dec. 23 (AP).—One patient and two native workers were killed in an Indonesian attack yesterday on a Red Cros emergency hospital in the Kramat District of Batavia, Dutch sources reported today, bringing to eight the death toll from violence i nthat troubled area since Thursday.

The Netherlands East Indies government information service said five Indonesians were arrested in connection with the finding of 12 mutilated bodies of Eurasians in Bandoeng Thursday. Quiet now prevailed in the Java summer capital.

The Dutch news agencq, Aneta, quoted a British spokesman as saying that an "agreement in principle" had been reached with Premier Sutan Sjahrir of the unrecognized Indonesian republic on employing members of the Indanesian Peace Preservation Corps (TKR) in helping to evacuate Japanese troops from Java.

Stores Must Pay For Trash Service In Takoma Park

Business establishments in Takoma Park, Md., no longer will receive free trash and garbage collections, it was learned yesterday.

Mayor Oliver W. Youngblood said the town council has voted to eliminate the service due to lack of operators for trucks and the extra expense imposed upon the town.

"We feel that better service will be given to the homes and taxpayers," Mayor Youngblood said. Many Years ago when manpower was plantiful the town levied $1 a month against the merchants for the service. However, that charge was dropped before the war.

The service will be stopped about January 15. Thirty days' notice has been given to all merchants by J. Wilson Dodd, town clerk and treasurer.

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50 Housing Units Urged By Virginians

Charlottesville, Va., Dec. 23.—The board of directors of the Charlottesville and Albemarle Chamber of Commerce has voted its approval of a plan drawn up by its special housing committee, whereby 50 housing units would be erected here with private capital in an effort to relicve the shortage of homes.

The plan calls for an effort to secure 50 subscriptions of $1000 each from businessmen and firms who would be willing to back the move without hope of securing a return on their investment. With this $50,000 basis, a corporation would be formed to sell another $150,000 in bonds, providing a total of $200,000 with which the 50 units would be erected.

According to the plan, the houses themselves would be purchased through a national home-building firm. They would cost about $4000 each and would be five-room affairs renting for about $50 a month.

An incomplete survey made by the chamber shows that 296 families at present need homes, exclusive of University of Virginia students. Of this number, 183 want to rent homes, 40 want apartments, and 73 wish to buy homes.

Figures compiled from 35 returns on a questionnaire sent business and industrial firms reveal that during the coming year they expect to hire a total of 280 men and 77 women, for whom living conditions must be secured.

In addition to the 296 housing units requested, the chamber office has 25 requests for homes on file, while the University of Virginia expects to have another 225 married students attending classes by next September, making a total of at least 546 homes that will be needed here in 1946.

Against this, the city building inspector's office reports that from September 1 through December 12 only 55 building permits were issued to house builders. This would make the shortage here drop from 546 to 491, but if additional employes are put on payrolls, as indicated by business and industrial firms, the committee estimates they will need at least 150 more housing units, running the anticipated shortage back to 641.

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Christmas Lights To Burn Again in Sligo Park Hills

A community Christmas tree lighting ceremony in Sligo Park Hills, Md., will be resumed today at 6:30 p. m. for the first time since 1940, at the intersection of Piney Branch and Park Valley rds., Silver Spring.

The event marks the seventh annual lighting sponsored by the Sligo Park Hills Garden Club with the cooperation of the Sligo Park Hills Citizens Association.

St. Luke's Christmas Story will be presented by high school girls. Charles Mitchell will play the cornet and accompany singing of carols. The invocation and benediction will be given by the Rev. J. F. McClelland, pastor of the Silver Spring Congregational Church. The program, arranged by Mrs. Delar Kimble, will be concluded by the recitation of "Everywhere, Everywhere, Christmas Tonight" by 10-year-old Nancy Scofield.

The lights will be turned on by Milton Collmer, club president.

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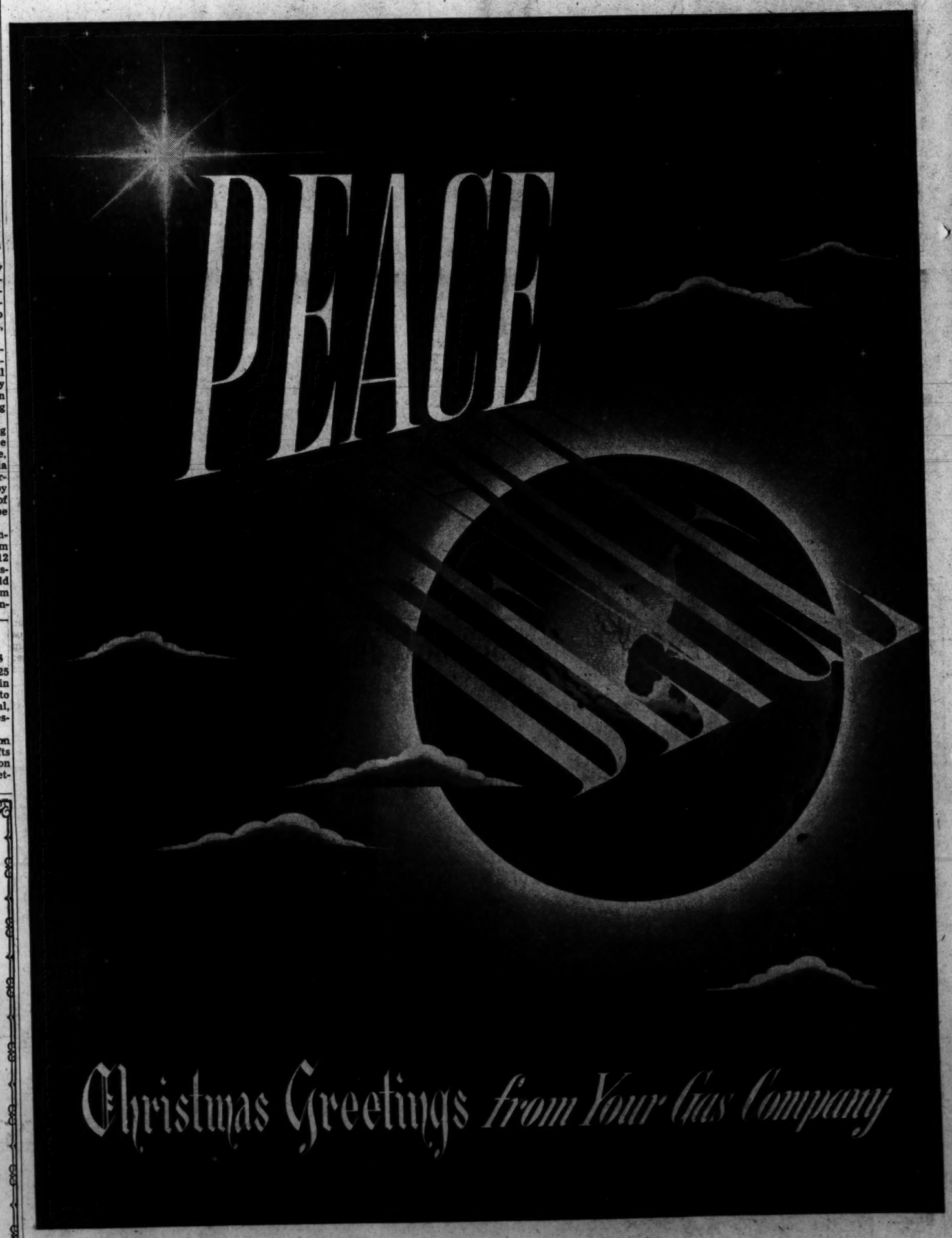
WATTS, ROBERT C. On Friday, December 21, 1945, at his residence, 1010 8th st. ne., ROBERT C. WATTS, beloved husband of May A. Watts and father of Olin E. Watts, brother of George Watts and Mrs. James Marvel and friend of Ethel M. A. Fowler. Remains resting at the above residence until 9:30 a. m. Monday, December 24, thereafter at the Church of The Good Shepherd, 6th and Eye st. ne., where services will be held at 2 p. m. Interment Fort Lincoln Cemetery. Services by Chambers.

WOODS, ANNA DORSEY. On Friday, December 21, 1945, at her residence, 2122 California st. nw., ANNA DORSEY WOODS. Friends are invited to call at Gawler's Chapel, 1750 Pa. ave. nw. Services will be held on Wednesday, December 26, at St. Albans Episcopal Church, Massachusetts and Wisconsin ave. nw. Interment Oak Hill Cemetery.

Navy Hospital Inmates To Get Candy and Pens

Christmas gifts consisting of 125 boxes of candy and 50 fountain pens will be given this week to patients at the Naval Hospital, Bethesda, Md., by the East Bethesda Citizens Association.

Mrs. Sadie Wisda and Mrs. John M. Mader will distribute the gifts which were wrapped by association members at their December meeting.



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